

# JAPANESE SPEEDING REINFORCEMENTS

## SHANTUNG LINE ENDANGERED BY CHINESE GAINS

### Military Authorities In Peiping Reticent: No Detail of Fighting

Peiping, Mar. 30.

Japanese reinforcements are rushing from north China to the Shantung front, where the position of the Japanese troops is undoubtedly serious.

This is indicated by the reticence of the Chinese military authorities here, who decline to give any details of the fighting.

It is believed the Chinese have made substantial advances on the Tientsin-Pukow railway front, inflicting heavy casualties on the Japanese.—*Reuter*.

#### Chinese Air Force In Hot Actions

Hankow, Mar. 30.

General Chen Cheng, right-hand man of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, said yesterday that the Chinese force played a prominent part in Tientsin-Pukow railway counter-attacks. They had taken part in several dog-fights, shooting down a number of Japanese bombers during past few days.—*United Press*.

#### Italians Not With Japan Air Force

Hankow, Mar. 30.

The Counsellor at the Italian Embassy issued a statement yesterday denying rumours that Italian aviators and mechanics were joining the Japanese forces.—*Reuter*.

#### Exchange Of Blows

Hankow, Mar. 30.

A Chinese communiqué states that Japanese forces, numbering 4,000, operating in the vicinity of Tungkwan and Choukiansun and in the Shantung-Nankin highway, attacked the Chinese positions at 9 o'clock on Monday under cover of aerial bombardment.

When reinforced, the Chinese forces counter-attacked and recaptured Choukiansun, and the Chinese attack on Tungkwan was resumed on Monday night.

In south Shansi, Chinese forces recaptured Yuanchu, the Japanese troops retreating eastward.—*Reuter*.

#### Shantung Fighting Most Severe

Hsuehchow, Mar. 30.

With both sides throwing in heavy reinforcements, the fighting on the north Tientsin-Pukow Railway front is reaching the decisive stage.

Furious fighting took place yesterday on practically all important fronts.—*Continued on Page 4.*

## SUDETEN GERMANS WARNED

### Czecho-Slovakia Deplores Anti-State Propaganda

Prague, Mar. 30.

Dr. Milan Hodza, Premier of Czecho-Slovakia, warned the German minorities to-day, including the Sudeten Germans, to cease their anti-State propaganda. He assured them that the Government would protect German minority rights.

He paid a tribute to Mr. Neville Chamberlain's policy and expressed faith in Germany, but also stated that the Government of Czecho-Slovakia would not be intimidated by German propaganda.

## HONGKONG GERMANS, AUSTRIANS MAY VOTE

### Plan To Participate In Plebiscite On German Steamer

The German Consulate-General in Hongkong is making preparations for the German and Austrian residents of this Colony to participate in the plebiscite of April 10 when Herr Adolf Hitler will call for an expression of loyalty to the Reich from all his subjects.

Although it is by no means certain that the arrangements in hand can be carried to the desired conclusion, the present plan is that Germans and Austrians here will go on board the German steamer *Friedrich* on the day of the plebiscite and proceed to a point at sea outside British or Chinese waters, where they will cast their ballots.

#### SHANGHAI ARRANGEMENTS

Shanghai, Mar. 30.

Thirteen hundred German and Austrian residents in Shanghai have been invited to participate in an unofficial plebiscite in Shanghai on April 10 on Hitler's policy in Austria.

The plebiscite, which is organized by the Nazi Party Overseas leaders, is stated to be in order to "show how Germans throughout the world cling to the Fatherland." The idea is also to "give Berlin a chance to gauge the sentiment of Germans beyond the Reich."

Austrian and German Jews in Shanghai have been refused permission to vote.—*Reuter*.

#### MANY STATES ADOPT U.S. REFUGEE PROPOSALS

Washington, Mar. 29.

The State Department announced that Brazil, the Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Haiti, Mexico, Peru, Uruguay, Belgium and France had responded favourably to the Austrian refugee assistance proposal.—*United Press*.

#### MORE MILLIONS FOR AMERICAN ARMY

Washington, Mar. 30.

The House of Representatives to-day passed an appropriation bill voting \$448,000,000 for the army in 1939.

## GUNMEN HUNTED IN PEIPING

### Attempt On Life Of Government Head

### Japanese Badly Wounded

Peiping, Mar. 30.

The police are combing the city for six Chinese gunmen who last night unsuccessfully attempted to assassinate Mr. Wang Keh-min, head of the Provisional Government established by the Japanese.

Mr. Wang was going home with his Japanese secretary and adviser, from a dinner party. As his motor car emerged from a side street into the main road, ten pistol shots rang out. One bullet pierced Mr. Wang's clothing without harming him, but Mr. Yamamoto, his secretary, was struck in the arm and face, and was taken to hospital in a serious condition.

There was much excitement among the Japanese community, and the Japanese authorities established police posts at all entrances to the Legation quarter, at the same time attempting to hold up and search everyone passing, including diplomats and foreign women.

The British and American embassies protested the Japanese Embassy against this, while bodyguards for members of the Provisional Government were reinforced.—*Reuter*.

## BRITISH OFFICIAL MISSING

### Vice-Chairman Of Shanghai Council, Mr. Harold Porter

Shanghai, Mar. 30.

Some anxiety is felt for Mr. Harold Porter, C.M.G., formerly of the British consular service in China, and latterly manager of the Peking Syndicate, Ltd., who has been missing since last Thursday.

Mr. Porter, who is Vice-Chairman of the Shanghai Municipal Council, has been ill recently, and friends fear that he is possibly suffering from loss of memory.—*Reuter*.

Mr. Harold Porter, who is 50 years of age, entered the British consular service in 1908. He took part in the siege of Peking in 1900, and later held various consular posts in China and Korea. He was a vice-consul in 1911 and made a Consul in 1913.

He was employed in the War Office Consulate from 1914 to 1915 and was Commercial Commissioner for Siberia from 1915 to 1919. In 1924 he was appointed acting Consul-General at Mukden, and a year later assumed the same position at Hankow. He was officiating Consul at Harbin, Manchuria in December 1925, and was Consul-General at Hankow from 1927 to 1928. He resigned from the consular service in 1929.

## No Further Bombing Of Barcelona

London, Mar. 29.

In the House of Commons today the Prime Minister in reply to a question, said that the British Government could not regard General Franco's reply to the British protest regarding the bombing of Barcelona as adequate justification for the attack on the city.

He said that the British Government was not prepared to make any further concessions to the Spanish Government, and that the British Government would continue to support the Republic.

## KEY CABINET MEN



**FRIEND OF REICH**—Edward Frederick Lindley Wood, third Viscount Halifax, right, aimed to fill temporarily the British Foreign Secretaryship resigned by Mr. Anthony Eden. Known as a friend of Germany, he carried Prime Minister Chamberlain's overtures to Chancellor Hitler, recently, and is shown above as he bid adieu to Ambassador Ribbentrop, when the latter left London to become German Foreign Minister.

## THREE NAVAL POWERS CERTAIN TO INVOKE ESCALATOR CLAUSE

London, Mar. 29.

It is reliably stated that the British, French and United States experts' decision to recommend the construction of bigger warships will be incorporated in the text of a communication which the three powers will exchange.

It is understood it will be published soon and will include formal intimation of the decision to invoke the escalator clause.

## RUBBER QUOTAS RAISED

### British Territory Benefits Greatly

London, Mar. 29.

The final recommendations of the International Rubber Committee to the signatory governments with regard to the renewal of the regulation agreement, contained among other things proposals for alteration of the basic quotas for the years 1939 to 1943. Compared with the figures put forward earlier, the recommendations for Malaya, the Netherlands Indies and Siam are unchanged, but Ceylon's proposed quota for each year now is now 8,000 tons above that of the original recommendation.

The full text of the final recommendations of the committee will be published as soon as possible.

While the International Rubber Committee's decision to leave the quota for the second quarter unchanged has not surprised the majority, London rubber prices nevertheless have sharply dipping under suspension for the first time for four years.

The weakness was chiefly attributed to outside liquidation which found the market bereft of buyers who, anticipating further liquidation of the weak positions, are at present holding off.

Well-informed circles recognise that the committee had little option but to leave the second quarter quota unchanged, as a five per cent reduction would not have afforded any material relief, a 10 per cent cut would, undeniably have raised problems in connection with the labour position.

While some consider the committee has merely solved the question of the quota for the third quarter, others consider it possible that it may have possession of estimates indicating an improved United States consumption for the latter half of the year.—*Reuter*.

## SILVER PRICE AGAIN CUT

### America May Cease To Buy Abroad

Washington, March 29.

Believed to be another retaliation against Mexico, the United States Treasury to-day reduced the price of foreign silver to 43 cents per ounce, which is the lowest since January, 1936.

Some quarters express the belief that the United States may attempt to withdraw from the world silver market, simultaneously continuing a substantial bounty to the domestic producers in order to placate the Congressional silver bloc.

It is conceded that such a withdrawal will result in a severe downward readjustment in silver prices, and that it might lead to further manipulation in foreign currencies.—*United Press*.

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## CRASH OF GUNFIRE FAINTLY HEARD IN BARCELONA SUBURBS

### Catalans Determined To Prolong Resistance

Barcelona, Mar. 29.

People in the suburbs of Barcelona claim they can hear the sound of gunfire from the front. Meanwhile the Catalan Government is exhorting Catalans to mobilise all forces and to summon all their energies to defend their territory from the invaders.

It is claimed that the Insurgents' easy advance across the plains towards the Cinca River has been held up by a desperate resistance in the neighbourhood of Fraga.

Army Corps commanders issued a proclamation declaring: "Once again in very grave circumstances our soldiers know their duty, and are writing in blood the heroic rally cry of 'Die rather than retreat.'"

The press is calling for 100,000 volunteers and the construction of fortifications behind the front and around Barcelona.—*Reuter*.

## Arab Brigands Carry Off Jewish Girl

Jerusalem, Mar. 29.

The body of a fifth victim, riddled with bullets, was found at the scene of the ambush yesterday, where Arab brigands attacked a taxicab on the Safad-Acre road.

Anxiety is felt regarding the fate of a girl who is believed to have been kidnapped by the brigands.—*Reuter Bulletin*.

## Only Part Of Compensation Claim Paid

### British Ambassador To Tokyo Acting

London, Mar. 29.

In the House of Commons to-day, Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary in the Foreign Office, gave a written reply to Mr. A. R. L. Chorlton (Cons.) when he stated that the claim in respect to the killing and wounding of two of the crew of H.M.S. *Ladybird* had already been paid by the Japanese Government, and the claim for material damage was shortly due to be presented.

Mr. Butler also stated that instructions had been sent to the British Ambassador in Tokyo, Sir Robert Craigie, for a claim to be presented for compensation in respect of damage to the steamers *Tuckwo* and *Tatung*, and a British hulk on the Yangtze, on December 5, but no payment had hitherto been received.—*Reuter*.

## STOCK AND BOND EXCHANGE WILL MOVE TO CHUNGKING

Chungking, Mar. 30.

The Shanghai Stock and Bond Exchange is arranging to resume operations at Chungking.

Since January, six Shanghai banks have opened branches in Chungking, the branches totalling 34 members of the local Association of Exchange Banks.—*United Press*.

#### Prolonging Resistance

Barcelona, Mar. 29.

"We have decided to prolong our resistance" stated that Premier of the Spanish Republican Government, Dr. Companys, in a broadcast to-day. "We feel we are strong, and we ask for the confidence of our heroic fighters and the civil population. Our course is to resist and fight."

The Premier attacked the democratic powers in Europe, declaring that they had no wish, nor did they want to help the Republican Government against foreign aggression.—*Reuter Bulletin*.

#### Insurgent Protest

Salamanca, Mar. 29.

An Insurgent statement was issued to-day which criticised the French Government for allowing a submarine which had been under repairs at Bordeaux to be returned to the (Continued on Page 4.)

## STOP PRESS

### SOUTH SHANSI TOWN RECAPTURED

Chengchow, Mar. 30.

An official communiqué states that the Chinese forces operating in south Shansi have recaptured Yuanchu, important town on the north bank of the Yellow River on the Shensi-Honan border.—*Central News*.

### JAPANESE PLANES BOMB HOHSIEN

Chengyangkwan, Mar. 30.

Twenty Japanese planes bombed Hoshien in central Anhwei in relys on March 27, according to a belated report.

More than 20 bombs were dropped, demolishing a number of houses.

On the same day seven Japanese planes raided Hsianhan. Four bombs were dropped inside the city and seven in the suburbs.—*Central News*.

### JAPANESE BOMB TAIERCHWANG

Hsuehchow, Mar. 30.

To halt the Chinese advance, 17 Japanese planes heavily bombed Taierchwang, and the surrounding villages yesterday noon. The 200 bombs killed many civilians.—*Central News*.

(Further Stop Press News on Page 4.)



# Slime While You Spring Clean

**1** Washing a floor: Knees joined, back extended, both arms right in front, hands flat on the ground, this girl is ready to walk on all fours. Nothing better for the muscles of your back, but don't forget to keep your waist absolutely hollow. Scrub and rub to music if you can, stretching your arms well out. Change arms now and then.

**2** Washing a window, or wall: Never have a basin on the floor. You will have to stoop every minute. Have the soap and water at the height of your hips (fixed on your ladder or on a stool). When rubbing the glass do arm extensions, like the sporty girl in the photograph. This is excellent for your chest muscles. Do wide, thorough, slow movements.

**3** Moving furniture: Leave the very heavy pieces of furniture for some one else to push out. Don't try to overdo it. But carry the light things (such as chairs, small tables, etc.) with both your hands. Walk well balanced on your feet, body and shoulders slightly thrown backwards. Do this first part on your tip toes.

Carrying these things is excellent for your bust, lungs, and the muscles of your arms. Don't forget to breathe in and out, deeply and evenly.

**4** Turning out a cupboard: When you have any kind of work to do near the ground, don't begin by bending. Look at this girl. Heels together, well balanced on the tips of her toes, her body is erect.

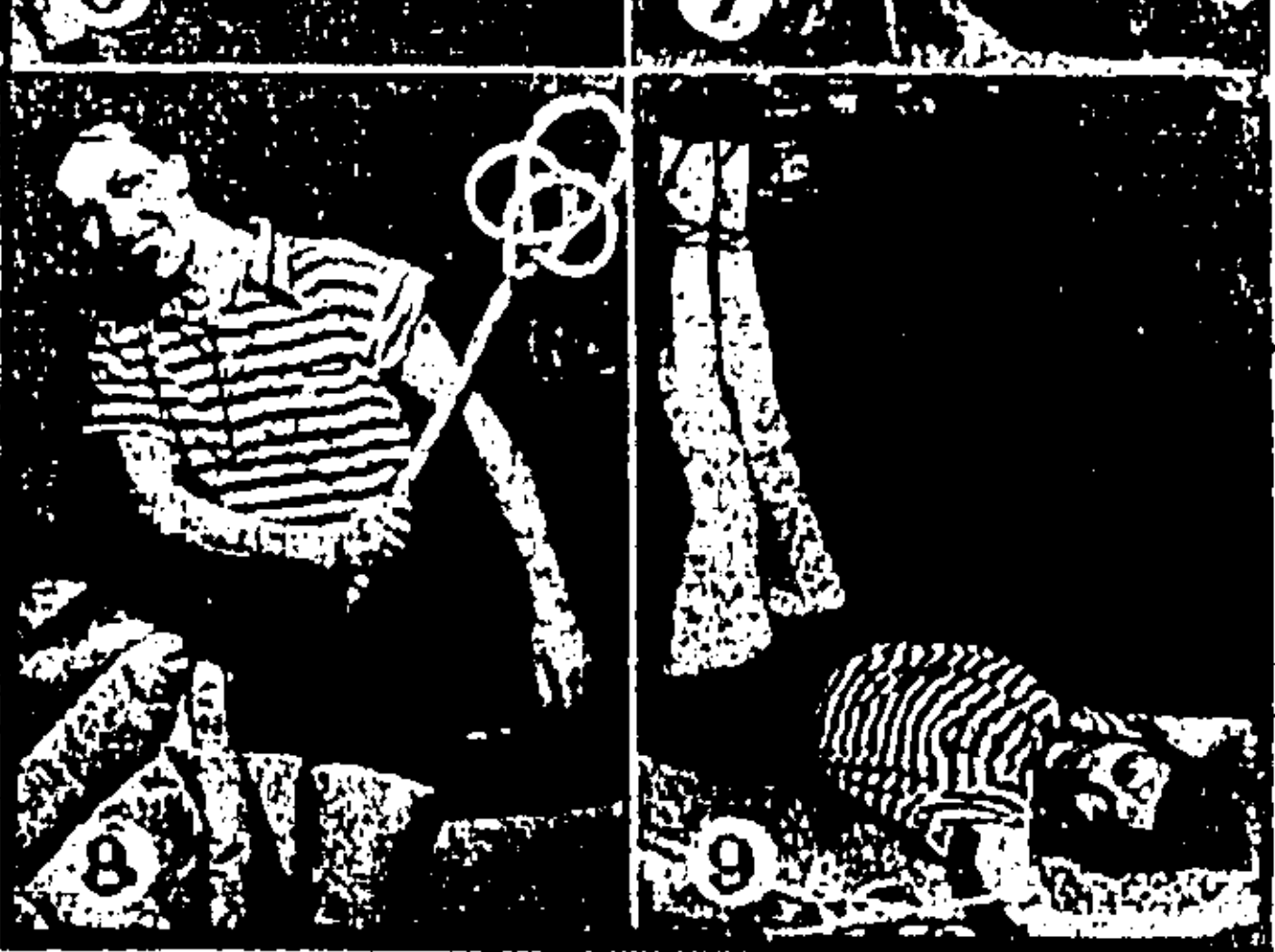
**5** You have probably often seen pictures of native women of Africa or Polynesia. We European people always admire their stately carriage. Did you know that it is entirely due to the good development of their neck muscles? These dark women always carry everything on their heads. Don't you admire the firm, beautiful neck and the broad chest of our young friend? It gives her a kind of graceful dignity. Imagine her carrying that heavy basin in her arms. She would look old and weary, and certainly would get exhausted very quickly.

**6** Cleaning the floor: Put a dance record on your gramophone and, following the music, rub your floor, first jumping on one foot, then on the other. Don't forget to change sides. You will get the muscles of your thighs and ankles well developed and strong.

**7** With your feather broom, you can do excellent exercises for your wrist. Don't strain your arm, hold the handle easily and make little circles, brushing off the dust.

**8** Do you play tennis? Continue your training in your home, beating the dust out of your carpets and blankets as the girl does it in this picture. She is doing it with energy, enjoying hitting the blankets almost as much as if they were a ball.

**9** Now we have finished our cleaning—floor, windows, furniture, carpets, blankets, everything. Do you feel rather tired? Stretch out on the ground, shoulders absolutely flat on the floor. Lift your legs for a few minutes, and rest them against a piece of furniture.



**MOST** of us hate cleaning our homes. But most of us have to do it. Well, there is a wrong way of doing it and a right one.

You must see that you not only beautify your home, but also your figure.

To begin with, don't undress to do it, but dress up in a particular style. Put on a bathing suit, or shorts, if you have a pair, and any light woolly jersey.

Wear a pair of sandals on your feet and tie your hair back with a wide ribbon—or, better still, cover it up entirely with a handkerchief.

And when you've finished for the day, go straight off and have a long, leisurely bath, with plenty of bath salts or lotion in it. Instead of feeling worn out and cross, you'll find you feel fit and well exercised.

## Showing off spring flowers

**YOU** can buy all sorts of spring flowers really cheaply now, and the way to make the best of them is to be lavish—spend the same money and get double the quantity.

Here's a good plan for arranging two large bunches of daffodils, narcissus, jonquils, or a mixture of all three.

Take two vases, one tall, one short, and put a bunch in each. Then stand them one behind the other. If your vases are both the same height, stand one on an inverted bulb bowl or a polished wooden box.

You'll like the sloping line that shows off your flowers so well, and you'll like having them in one luxurious mass—especially these spring flowers that naturally grow in masses in the woods and fields.

## Paris Hats

**FOR** smart afternoon wear, there are enormous hats in velvet or lace to match dresses. These have moderate, close-fitting crowns, but wide brims which sweep boldly off the face and down towards the sides.

Toques are having a good innings. Some of them are seen in wide bands of interlaced colours, some in the form of embroidery on felt or faile in soutache designs. Most have a high point somewhere, or a quill or wing that stands up saucily in the air. On a black pointed hat, a quill, red as a stick of sealing wax, was twisted like a cork-screw in front, and looked very smart.

## Has winter been hard on your hair?

**SPRING** days call for new hats.

New hats call for new hair-dressing styles. New hair styles can't look their best unless your hair itself is in good glossy trim.

But, as you've probably noticed, winter has been hard on your hair. Fogs have taken the colour out of it. Four months of wearing a heavy felt hat have made it dull and lifeless.

For your hair, as much as yourself, needs sun and fresh air to keep fit.

While you are waiting for the sunny days to start, here are some ways of getting your hair into shape.

**FIRST**—as always—brush it good and hard night and morning. Don't be disturbed if you find it is coming out; it always does this time of year, and it is only the old, dead hairs which you lose.

Then massage your scalp well with the tips of your fingers and a good spirit lotion. Rub in the lotion with firm, circular movements, which will get the circulation going.

Do this every night before you go to bed, and you will soon find that your hair is silkier, glossier.

If you can treat yourself to a little extra, a course of violet-ray treatment would give your hair a new start, in life; it will make up to it for all the sun and air it's missed.

**EYEBROWS** are probably due for a careful re-plucking.

Take your tweezers and a magnifying mirror into a strong, steady light, and pluck your eyebrows into a strong, steady line.

## TASTY WAY TRIFLES

**HERE** are some new ways of making trifles which are pleasing to the taste without being unduly expensive.

To make lemon trifle, break three sponge cakes into a pie-dish and pour over them a custard.

For this custard take half a pint of milk and put it into a saucepan with one dessertspoonful of sugar and the grated rinds of two lemons. Heat the milk, then stir in a piece of butter the size of an egg.

Make ready in a basin the yolks of three eggs, well beaten. Pour the hot milk over these, stirring all the time. When quite thick the custard is ready. If not thick enough heat again for a few minutes, but do not allow to boil.

Whip the whites of the eggs to a stiff froth with a pinch of salt, then add one dessertspoonful of sugar. Pour the custard over the sponge cakes, then squeeze lemon juice over, and pile the whipped whites of eggs on top. Place the dish in the oven to brown slightly, if desired.

### To Make Coffee Trifle

Prepare by first lining a dish with sponge cakes, cut in half and spread with fresh or canned strawberries or raspberries, well mashed and sprinkled with castor sugar to taste. Now add two sliced bananas and raisins.

Have ready one pint of coffee made with new milk. Make this exactly the same strength as for drinking. Now prepare one pint of custard with the coffee, using custard powder or two fresh eggs, as preferred. Pour into the trifle and leave until set and cold, then decorate with glace cherries or angelica finely cut, and a few dabs of whipped cream.

For grapefruit trifle peel and remove all the pith from one large or two small grapefruit, then cut into neat pieces. Place a layer of cornflakes in the bottom of a glass dish, then a layer of grapefruit and sprinkle with castor sugar.

Make a lemon jelly and pour over the grapefruit, then repeat with layers of cornflakes and grapefruit—and more jelly. When set firmly decorate the trifle with any fresh or canned berry fruits and whipped cream.

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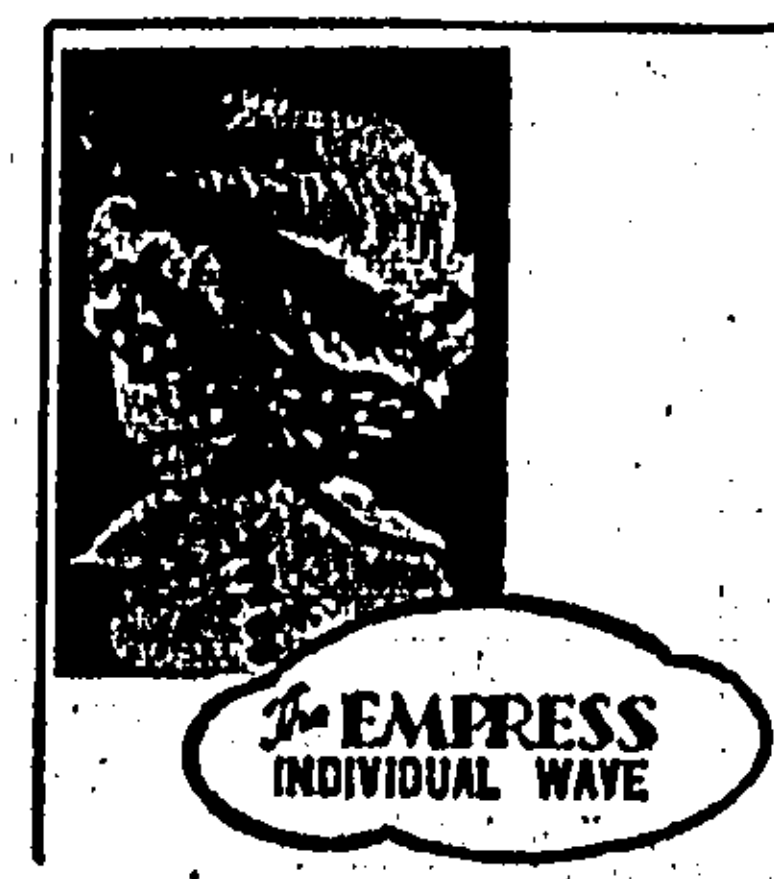
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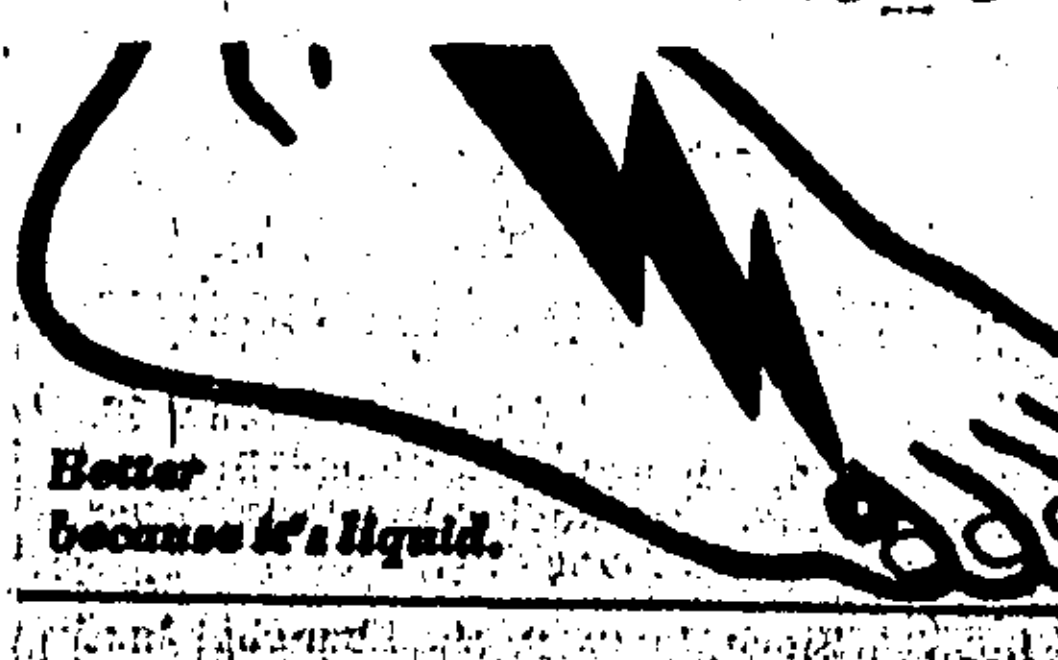
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## CORNS?



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**FOREHEADS** next. The snag to watch out for there is lines—frown lines or horizontal creases. These may come from habits of expression; try to remember that even if you do feel angry or surprised you needn't show it on your face.

Or, more often, they come from straining your eyes in a bad light. Remedy—rest your eyes all you can; massage your forehead with a good greasy cream—turkey oil, for instance—and every other night leave some of the cream on while you're asleep.

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# Hankow Despatch By Vernon Bartlett, Famous War Correspondent CHINA SEEKING NEW TRADE ROUTES FOR SUPPLIES

## Attempt To Speed Hongkong Imports

Hankow.  
Dr. Hsiang-hai Kung, Chinese Premier and Finance Minister, plying me to-day with sharks' fins and birds' nest soup, warned me that these luxuries will probably be forbidden soon owing to the need for reducing imports, writes Vernon Bartlett in the London News Chronicle.

Even firecrackers have been banned, partly because of the campaign against superstition, mainly owing to the necessity for reducing the transport of non-essentials on China's overcrowded channels of communication.

## SUPERMEN FOR R.A.F.

THE Royal Air Force is to build up a corps of supermen for its 400m.p.h. fighter squadrons.

Each man will be 100 per cent. physically and mentally perfect, able to control his seven-mile-a-minute single seater machine with split second timing.

These pilots will be the cream of the best specimens entering a service whose medical examination is already the most rigorous in existence. Discipline in these squadrons will be the strictest in the service.

### TAKING THE STRAIN

The coming of the 400 m.p.h. machines has brought a new problem to doctors and psychologists. Can the pilots stand the enormous physical and mental strain?

Manoeuvring at these speeds is liable to produce a "black-out," temporary unconsciousness, in the pilot, through the increased weight of his body produced through the elemental forces at work in the turn.

If this is overdone serious internal injuries may be caused. Test pilots who have to undergo these strains when trying out new aircraft usually wear a type of corset. For instance, if the pilot weighs ten stone, and through a manoeuvre he produces a force of what is called 9 G—nine times gravity—his weight would go up to ninety stone.

Unless the pilot was very strong and in perfect physical condition the strain might be fatal.

### NERVE EXERCISE

Again, enormous distances are covered in a second at these speeds. Doctors are asking if the nervous reflexes of the pilots can be speeded up enough for them to make decisions in the split seconds allowed to them.

A message from the brain to the hands or feet takes a certain time to get there. Will the speed of the aircraft be greater than the speeds of the nerve messages?

Tests now being carried out should give an answer. It is possible that the supermen pilots will have to take some form of nerve exercise before they fly the machines.

### BABY HAS 11 GRANDPARENTS

Candy, Minn.

Six grand fathers and five grandmothers gives year-old Vernon Hanson a new record number of living relatives. He has a great great grandmother, two great grandmothers and two grandmothers, four great grandfathers and two grandfathers.

## CHINESE AMAZONS FROM KWANGSI WILL FIGHT IN NORTHERN WAR ZONE



PHOTOGRAPHS above and on left show the new Amazon Army that has risen in Kwangsi. These Chinese girls are members of the 2nd Kwangsi Women's Unit which will shortly go into action. The 1st Kwangsi Women's Unit was in action recently at Changsha, where they suffered considerable casualties.—Albert Kahn, Photos.



## Air Raid Drill In Dutch E. Indies

By RICHARD C. WILSON  
United Press Staff Correspondent  
Batavia.

Gay and picturesque Batavia is learning rapidly some of the grim realism of war as new Martin bombers roar over this famous East Indian port in manoeuvres nightly to the tune of anti-aircraft guns and air raid alarms.

When the first of these mock-war drills was held recently, night club revellers turned out en masse as the city was "black out," and witnessed the crash of one of the big planes, about a mile from the airport at Bandoeng.

### FIVE AIRMEN KILLED

Five airmen were killed in the accident, which occurred during a driving rainstorm. Many midnight celebrants had gathered at the airport after the lights were dimmed, in what seemed to be a midnight social function.

The sudden squall drove the revellers to shelter. A few minutes later a five-plane squadron roared through the rain-swept darkness and as it passed over the airport, one of the planes keeled over and crashed, exploding as it struck the ground.

The accident, amid the rumble and flashes of anti-aircraft guns gave the scene a realistic touch, particularly as the Dutch fliers did not halt in their manoeuvre, carrying out their night raids while the anti-aircraft guns still blazed away into the sky.

It was my first view of Dutch defensive manoeuvres, and it was an impressive one. The Dutch have been steadily building up their East India airforce, buying American-built planes.

### NEW IDEA FOR BATAVIA

Although "blackouts" are frequent at Singapore and Hongkong, where the British have been educating the populace to war conditions, the air raid alarm is a new phase of night life in Batavia and one that was seized upon in a holiday spirit until the crash at the airfield.

The alarms are sounded shortly before midnight and the raids last about two hours.

There both fortifications and equipment are closely guarded, and no one is allowed to walk through certain areas. The Dutch, on the contrary, were glad to exhibit their rapidly expanding fortifications, which they regard with national pride.

### 70 NEW MACHINES

There are more than 30 Martin bombers regularly stationed at Bandoeng, about 50 miles inland from Batavia, which lies on the northern coast of Java. The Dutch are ordering 70 additional bombing planes, largely to defend the valuable Borneo oil fields which are scattered over Borneo to the north.

The Dutch, now, plan to begin manufacturing gas masks in a factory here. At present the supply is purchased from Singapore.

## New Death Ray Kills Snakes, Not Humans

I have seen hundreds of mixed grubs, up to an inch in length, killed by new death rays, in a big house in Beckenham, Kent.

The rays worked through thick glass and a sheet of tin, taking a little longer than when they struck the wriggling creatures direct (writes a Special Correspondent).

They have not been developed as a new war horror, but to enable householders to get rid of pests, to enable the gardener to save his cabbages and roses, and enable women to rid furs and clothing of moth simply by holding a hand lamp over the affected spot.

### EXPLODE EGGS

It is claimed that any white corpulent creatures, such as fish, snakes, and frogs, may be killed quickly by the rays which cause the corpses to burst.

Mr. W. T. Russell, of Southend-road, Beckenham, showed me the rays. He is the discoverer of the "Heala" rays, now used extensively for curing deep-seated ailments, and he has worked on the subject since 1912.

Mr. Russell dropped a handful of active grubs on the table and held a lamp in a reflector over them, about a foot away.

In ten seconds they jumped convulsively. In 30 seconds they were dead.

I held my hand under the lamp. It was warm, but not hot enough, in my opinion, to destroy the grubs by heat.

"The lamp" works off ordinary house voltage. So far I have made no attempt to get distant effects by concentrating the rays," said Mr. Russell.

"I can kill larvae and explode eggs just as easily," even hens' eggs.

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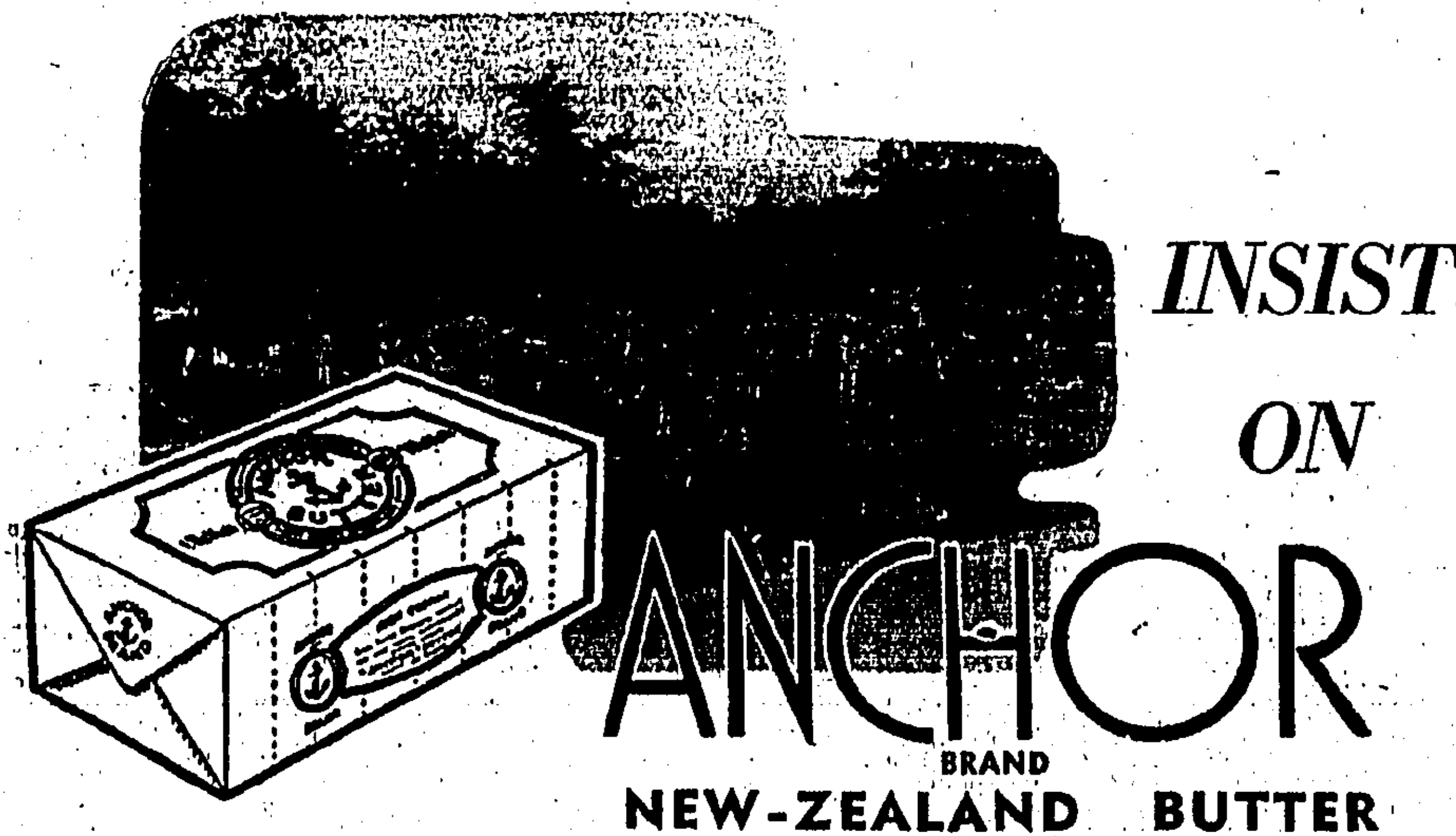
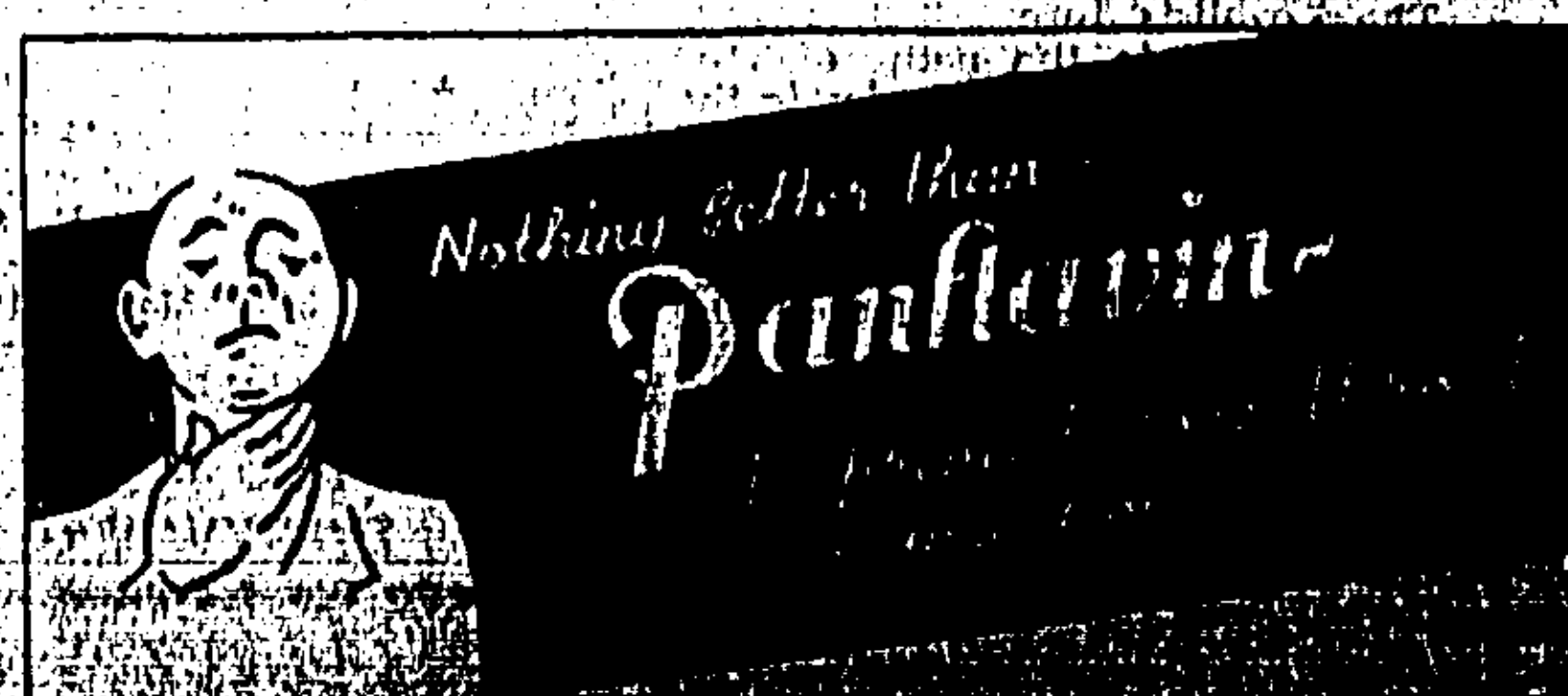
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NEW YORK STOCK  
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FRITZ LATEST REPORTS

New York, Mar. 29.  
S. C. & F. Dow Jones summary of yesterday's markets:

The Street bled to-day's weakness of the stock market on the Senate passage of the Reorganization Bill, fears aroused by the silver decline, the failure of major industries to accelerate and the discounting of any anticipated unfavourable first-quarter reports. Some major commodities were weak, further weakening margin accounts. Favourable factors included expectations of a further rise in steel operations, the Reconstruction Finance Corporation's announcement that a billion and a half dollars were available for loans, the expected Tennessee Valley Authority investigation into aid for utilities and the devising of a car-junking programme to aid the automobile industry.

S. C. & F. New York correspondent writes:

Stocks: The market to-day reflects continued liquidation. The action of the list suggests the possibility of a climatic break, with a heavy volume of selling and we would defer buying for the present. Business failures for the week were 256, while bank deposits totalled 14,301,000,000 dollars.

Cotton: The weakness of stocks and of the commodity markets, selling by London and Bombay on the widening spread and unfavourable reaction to the passage of the Government Reorganization Bill (which may be moderated in the House) discouraged trade and limited buying largely to the needs.

Wheat: The moisture situation is now excellent, but there is some apprehension as to the effect of the cold wave on the advanced growths. The strength of the Winnipeg market and export demand here of about 1,000,000 bushels were the most stimulating factors on to-day's market.

Corn: Selling for May and a lull in exports which are expected to resume quickly, caused slight easiness.

Rubber: The failure to reduce the quota and the reported recommendation of the Restriction Committee for a five-year increase precipitated heavy liquidation, which was accentuated by stop-loss selling. The factories are apparently not yet interested and speculation is discouraged.

Sugar: The market is stagnant. There was some small liquidation on the weakness of the other markets. Dow Jones Averages Mar. 28. Close 30 Industrials 107.25 101.92 20 Rails 20.46 10.23 20 Utilities 16.11 15.33 40 Bonds 84.89 84.31 11 Commodity Index 51.17 50.59

"DIE RATHER THAN  
SURRENDER,"  
LOYALIST CRY

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Spanish Government. The statement said this action was contrary to international law.—Reuter Bulletin.

## Barbastro Occupied

Salamanca, Mar. 29.  
The ancient cathedral city of Barbastro was occupied by insurgent troops to-day after the city had been completely destroyed by fire by the Loyalists, states a Salamanca radio broadcast.

Many bodies are alleged to have been found among the ruins.—Reuter Bulletin.

## Dynamiting The Moroccans

Hendaye, Mar. 29.  
The Loyalists threw their savage dynamites into the path of the equally fierce Moroccans to-day in the course of fighting on the roads to the Larida border.

Reports state that the miners are changing every inch of territory, using dynamite to blow up the invaders.

However, it is reported that the Moroccans have reached a point where the Larida lowers are visible.

The dynamites have hardly set mines under the bridges and culverts.—United Press.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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Notice to Shareholders

The Thirty-third Annual General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Dodwell & Co., Ltd., Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Building, on Wednesday, the 6th April, 1938, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1937.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 23rd March to 6th April, 1938, both days inclusive.

## DODWELL &amp; CO., LTD.

General Managers.

Hongkong, 14th March, 1938.

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The Fifty-seventh Ordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at the Offices of the General Managers, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Pedder Street, Hong Kong, on Thursday, 31st March, 1938, at noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, passing the Accounts, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 24th March to 14th April inclusive.

By order of the Board,

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Forty-Ninth Ordinary Annual Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the offices of the Company, Exchange Building, Des Voeux Road Central, Victoria, Hong Kong, on Tuesday, the 12th day of April, 1938, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ended 31st December, 1937.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS OF THE Company will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, the 1st APRIL, 1938, to TUESDAY, the 12th APRIL, 1938, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

T. C. T. BECK,

Secretary.

Hongkong, 3rd March, 1938.

FOR THE PROTECTION OF  
CHILDREN.

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Bringing Cargo from Marseilles via Saigon, etc., arrived Hongkong on Wednesday, 30th March, 1938.

Consignees are hereby informed that their goods with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables are being landed and stored into the Godowns of the Hongkong Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co. Ltd., Kowloon, where delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before 9th April, 1938, or they will not be recognized.

Damaged Packages will be examined by the Company's Surveyors Goddard and Douglas in the presence of the Consignees at 10.00 a.m. on Tuesday, 6th April, 1938.

Consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when any dutiable goods are examined by the Company's Surveyors.

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E. OHL,

Agent.

Hongkong, 30th March, 1938.

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PASTEURISATION OF  
MILK OPPOSED AS  
UNNECESSARY HERE

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ferred to a later date, for further consideration.

The question of pasteurisation I am afraid, has become an obsession with some people. Not only do they wish to enforce the compulsory pasteurisation of all milk, but they now propose to pasteurise a milk which is in itself better than "pasteurised." I would like to know, Sir, what good could pasteurisation do to a milk which is perfectly sterilised already.

Reconstituted milk is made from the mixing of milk powder and water. The milk powder is perfectly sterile, and if one uses sterile water (say boiled or distilled water) what use is it to pass this mixture through an elaborate pasteurising plant again?

As far as I can see, the compulsory pasteurisation of reconstituted milk can have only one effect, and that is to prevent small business men from entering into the business, seeing that a pasteurising plant is a very expensive machine. There is another good reason why this by-law should not be enforced and it is this: that should by any chance pasteurisation of fresh milk not become compulsory, it would only create an anomaly if reconstituted milk be compelled to undergo the process, while fresh milk was exempt.

## AN OPPOSITE EFFECT

It is not my intention at present to enter into a discussion as to the advantages or disadvantages of pasteurisation, because this being a purely theoretical problem, there can be as many arguments advanced in favour of it as there are against it. Discussions along this line would be futile, and only of academic interest, and should therefore be careful to avoid it, and to see ourselves strictly to the practical side of the question, for as we are all aware, arguments which may appear very sound and convincing on paper, sometimes turn out in the end to be most unworkable and disappointing in practice.

Apart from the vested interests who are anxious to see compulsory pasteurisation being introduced into the Colony so that competitors may be eliminated from their field of action, I cannot help thinking that there is a feeling at the back of the minds of some of its advocates, that by the compulsory adoption of this measure, the gruesome spectre of an infected milk supply will be removed by one bold stroke. This is only a supposition, and would have less objection against it, but as I shall endeavour to prove later, the step which it is hoped will make milk safe for drinking, may turn out to have quite the opposite effect. Again, there are others who see in the introduction of compulsory pasteurisation, a measure in the nature of a device-saving device and hope that by the wholesale sterilisation of the Colony's milk supply a lot of trouble connected with its hygienic production, inspection, and examination would be thus avoided. Far from this being the case I would say that milk after it has been pasteurised required more careful attention and bacteriological examination than non-pasteurised milk.

In support of this contention permit me to quote from the Bulletin of the Health Organisation of the League of Nations, circulated among the members of this Council in defence of pasteurisation. Under the heading "Supervision of Pasteurisation Plants" on p.454 it says: "It cannot be emphasised too strongly that, if reliance is to be placed on the pasteurisation of the product, the public health authorities have to see that the process is adequately performed. At the present time, there is a deplorable lack of control over pasteurising plants. Medical and veterinary officers are often ignorant, not only of the technical design and management of these plants, but even of the fact that they exist. The Council therefore has to see that the process is adequately performed. If the public health authorities have a lack of control over pasteurising plants in England, where the public health organisation is so much more up-to-date and efficient, is there any reason to suppose that we could do better in Hongkong? If the "medical and veterinary officers in England are ignorant of the technical design and management of these plants," can you assure this Council that your medical and veterinary staff here is as well or better trained in this subject than their colleagues in England?

## AN INTERRUPTION

Continuing under the same heading on p. 465 the Bulletin says "In addition, courses of instructions should be instituted, as in Great Britain, for the education of plant operatives. Satisfactory results can hardly be expected if pasteurisation is carried out in practice by workers who have no understanding of the rationale of the process." May I ask, Sir, whether there is any assurance that our plant operatives (which in Hongkong are illiterate, ignorant coolies) will be given "courses of instruction, and is it to be expected that they will in time have an understanding of the rationale of the process?" I am afraid the answer will have to be in the negative. Pasteurisation of milk is, therefore, not as simple a business as it may seem, and far from bringing about the desired result it may have directly the opposite effect, and so far as Hongkong is concerned, this has been the case and the proof is found in your own minutes addressed to the Hon. Colonial Secretary and dated 9.3.37 (C.S.O. 2/5970/36). Permit me to read them in case they have escaped the notice of some of the members of this Council.

"Hon. C. S.—The Dairy Farm Company's pasteurized milk. . . . The Chairman: Excuse me, Dr. Basto, I do not think it is necessary to read out that minute.

Dr. Basto: This is a minute dealing with the pasteurisation of milk and I am attempting to show.

The Chairman: I cannot allow a private minute to be quoted.

Dr. Basto: Well, I must go on but I must protest because I consider the public has a right to know everything in this matter.

Dr. Basto, eliminating a considerable portion of his prepared speech, proceeded: Pasteurisation is very important in England and in the United States, and I fully agree with the general medical opinion that it should be made compulsory.

Whereas in these countries there are very good reasons for enforcing this measure (and notwithstanding this, it is not enforced) the same conditions do not obtain here.

In England alone, bovine tuberculosis (that is, tuberculosis which is transmitted from the cow to the human being through milk) is responsible for more than 2,000 deaths per annum, mostly of children.

I pointed out in my minutes, if this is the mortality rate, what must be the incidence rate of this dreadful disease! Furthermore, scarlet fever is very rampant in these countries and it is conveyed by milk. These two diseases alone worry over the milk problem. But in Hongkong these two diseases, do not exist at all. So why all this fuss about pasteurisation?

IS MILK TO BLAME?

Furthermore, a cow can be made safe from Bovine tuberculosis by testing it with tuberculin. I think that tuberculin testing is not compulsory in England. It should be so. In Hongkong, as I said before, bovine tuberculosis does not exist, but for safety sake, two large dairies tuberculin test their cows, notwithstanding. Is this not enough?

Our milk supply has been blamed for the last-diphtheria epidemic. But that is not right. It is my opinion, and the opinion of many other people, that a certain brand of milk was removed from the bottles and contaminated water added to it to make up the bulk. Is it fair to blame the milk under such circumstances?

I may add that the Colonial Veterinary Surgeon is against the compulsory pasteurisation of milk. He has presented a well thought-out detailed scheme, for the production of good clean milk and I think that this scheme should be adopted at least in a modified form. Furthermore, I wish to quote an opinion from the Governor on the question of compulsory pasteurisation. When asked what he thought of it, he said "At best it will create a sense of false security." This sums up very succinctly my whole contention against the compulsory pasteurisation of milk.

## A REGRETTABLE THING

The Chairman: We are not dealing with pasteurised milk but with reconstituted milk. The two companies who are making this milk are, on their own volition, pasteurising it, which means that they believe there is some good to be gained by it. The constituents of reconstituted milk have to be heated to a certain extent in order to be well mixed so they do not go on a bit higher, and pasteurise the product and at the same time destroy any germs which may have got into the butter, skimmed milk powder or water? You have assured us that there is no bovine tuberculosis in Hongkong so that does not affect reconstituted milk at all and you also say that scarlet fever is not heard of here.

One of the main objects of these bye-laws should be to make it difficult for any person or company to set up in the business of making reconstituted milk unless they have resources behind them to do it properly. It would be a very regrettable thing if any small person, say a compadre, could suddenly start producing reconstituted milk here.

The Hon. Dr. Selwyn-Clarke: It is certainly news to me that no bovine tuberculosis exists here. I am aware that it is uncommon among the local cattle but I have been informed by people of experience in these matters that it is not uncommon among the local imported cattle. Moreover Professor Gerrard and Dr. Basto himself have heard of the scheme instituted by Rotarians sometime ago to send children with bovine tuberculosis to Cheung Chau as far as that point is concerned, I feel I cannot accept the speaker's statement that that is none here.

In connection with the pasteurisation of milk, Dr. Basto said, and quite rightly, that it should be well supervised. He made a good point that but do not wish to disagree with him too much on this point but to endorse his remarks on the proper

JAPANESE SPEEDING  
REINFORCEMENTS

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points, notably Lincheng, Taining, Anierwang, Yenchow, Talan and the Yi River banks.

Linchow and Taining, which are reported to have changed hands again yesterday, are scenes of heavy fighting. Both sides are determined to gain these strategic towns.

Despite continued fighting around Linchow and Taining, the Chinese vanguards are pushing northward with Taining, 50 kilometres south of Tsinan, as their immediate objective. Tawenkou, 25 kilometres north of Yenchow, which has been recaptured by the Chinese forces, has now been cleared of Japanese forces.

## Guerillas Attack Yenchow

Meanwhile, Chinese guerillas are attacking Yenchow. With the Japanese rear menaced as a result of the recapture of Tawenkou the recovery of Yenchow is believed imminent. The guerillas raided the Japanese aerodrome at Yenchow on the night of March 28. Hurling their hand-grenades they destroyed three grounded Japanese planes.

To prevent the arrival of Japanese reinforcements at Yenchow the Chinese have damaged the steel bridge spanning the Tawenkou River.

The Japanese counter-offensive on Taiachwang, the eastern terminus of the Linchow-Taiachwang branch railway, is being continued with increased vigour. The town was in a precarious position for a time yesterday when the Japanese started a terrific artillery and aerial bombardment to assist the advance of their infantry. But 800 Chinese "dare-to-die" men successfully stemmed the advance. According to a message received late yesterday the town was still in Chinese hands.

Grim fighting was witnessed yesterday on both banks of the Yi River in south-east Shantung. On the east bank the centre of fighting was around Sankwamiao where repeated onslaughts by the Japanese were successfully repulsed by the Chinese during the day. On the west bank hand-to-hand encounters took place at Shihliup, Houkangtiao and Chienkangtiao.—Central News.

supervision of such plants when they are established.

We do have health officers here with special training and I was yesterday reading a report from the Sanitary Inspectorate to the effect that one of the men concerned was not an illiterate coolie but a man who had received special training in the conduct of a pasteurisation plant. I am sure Dr. Basto would not set himself up against the best opinion which was demonstrated in that League of Nations Bulletin in two editorial in the Medical Journal last year pointing out the strong desirability of pasteurisation.

## KEEP UP-TO-DATE

We do want to keep up with modern developments in public health; we do not want to be fifty years behind the times. In Canada and the U.S.A. pasteurisation has become practically law. As our Chairman pointed out, bovine tuberculosis is only one of the diseases we are interested in here. We have a large number of deaths from typhoid and dysentery, and the constant danger of the introduction from South China of cholera. As you know, there were well over 1,000 deaths from this disease last year and the military authorities told me yesterday that the only five cases they had, resulted from the consumption of cholera-infected milk. To my mind it is an ever present danger and we should see that all possible means of defence are eliminated.

There were other points brought out by Dr. Basto, some of them rather controversial, but as the Chairman has so ably covered the ground, I shall leave them for the present. I must say though, that had I been the Chairman, I do not think I should have been quite so generous to allow the use of the bottles with the words "Safe milk" on them.

Dr. Basto, in reply, said: I want to make it quite clear that I am not interested in pasteurisation; I am in favour of it in certain circumstances with those circumstances do not obtain in Hongkong. I think Mr. Selwyn-Clarke may have been a little bit hasty and does not know, but I can assure him—and I asked Professor Gerrard too—that there have been no cases of bovine tuberculosis among humans here; there may have been some among animals. Human cases of bovine tuberculosis and scarlet fever are unknown in Hongkong. The reason why there is pasteurisation in Canada and the U.S.A. is because there diseases are known there and I agree that it is necessary—so I am not old-fashioned.

The number of cows here would not make a single dairy in England and the quantity of milk consumed here would be a drop compared to the amount consumed in England. My contention is that it is quite easy to produce safe milk without pasteurising it. In England the tuberculin test is not considered necessary. All the dairies here are under easy control. This discussion was brought about by reconstituted milk. It is already sterilised so why pasteurise something already clean? By putting it through the pasteurising plant with all its machinery may not be clean—you may be selling a clean milk.

There being no further discussion, the amendment proposed by Dr. Basto was put to the meeting but no seconder was found. The resolution approving the bye-laws was passed with Dr. Basto as the sole dissenter.

The following applications for licences were refused: eating house licence for No. 1, Ho Kwok Lane, ground floor; eating house licence for No. 202, Queen's Road East, ground floor; food factory licence for No. 37, Sing Wo Road, ground floor.

The following licences were granted between March 15 and 28: two food factory licences, one laundry licence, two wine licences.

Regular returns were laid on the table.

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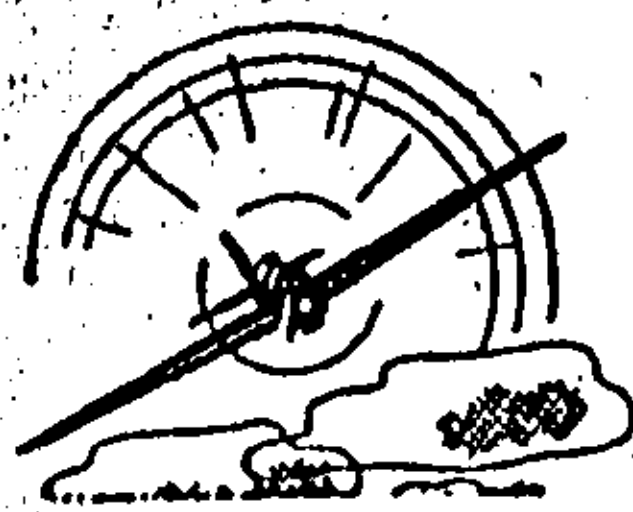
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Japan and Shanghai	Kingsau	April 1.
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Japan	Tsinan	April 1.
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Haiphong	Behar	April 2.
Australia and Manila	G.G. Paul Doumer	April 2.
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Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 25th March	Pan-American Airways Plane	April 2.
Japan and Shanghai	Sphinx	April 2.
Shanghai	Conte Rosso	April 3.
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Straits	Proteslaus	April 4.
Japan and Shanghai	Aeneas	April 4.
Straits	Calchas	April 4.
Tientsin	Yunnan	April 4.
Straits	Bolsevain	April 5.
Java and Manila	Cremor	April 5.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Manila (Seattle date, 12th March)	Tijegara	April 5.
Tientsin	Pres. McKinley	April 6.
Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver B.C., 19th March)	Chengtu	April 7.
Manila	Emp. of Asia	April 7.
Amoy	Polska	April 7.
Japan	Shirala	April 7.
Japan and Shanghai	Talhybius	April 7.
Japan	Dakar Maru	April 8.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Manila (San Francisco date, 11th March)	Hakusan Maru	April 8.
Straits	Kunishima Maru	April 8.
Straits and Manila	Pres. Pierce	April 8.
Australia and Manila	Kashima Maru	April 10.
	Deucalion	April 10.
	Changto	April 12.

## OUTWARD MAILS

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Wednesday		
Haiphong	Canton	Wed., Mar. 30, 2 p.m.
Bangkok	Ardent	Wed., Mar. 30, 2.30 p.m.
Swatow	Seistan	Wed., Mar. 30, 3 p.m.
Straits	Van Heutz	Wed., Mar. 30, 5 p.m.
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	Reg.	Mar. 30, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Mar. 30, 5 p.m.
	Reg.	Mar. 31, 6 a.m.
	Ord.	Mar. 31, 6 a.m.
Thursday		
Kongmoon	Tal Lee	Thurs., Mar. 31, 10 a.m.
Swatow and Shanghai	Kwelyang	Thurs., Mar. 31, 10.30 a.m.
Bangkok	Proteus	Thurs., Mar. 31, 10.30 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan and Europe via Siberia	Rawalpindi	Thurs., Mar. 31, 10.30 a.m.
Holhow	Mulnum	Thurs., Mar. 31, 1.30 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America and Europe via Vancouver B.C., (Parcels for Canada only)—due Vancouver B.C. 19th April and Europe via Siberia.	Emp. of Japan	Thurs., Mar. 31.
	G.P.O. and K.F.O.	
	Parcels	Mar. 31, 5 p.m.
	Reg.	Apr. 1, 9.15 a.m.
	Ord.	Apr. 1, 10 a.m.
Friday		
Samshui and Wuchow	Taiming	Fri., Apr. 1, 8.15 a.m.
Japan	Yuensang	Fri., Apr. 1, 3.30 p.m.
Manila, Rabaul, Australia and New Zealand via Brisbane—due Brisbane 19th April.	Nankin	Fri., Apr. 1.
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## PASTEURISATION OF MILK OPPOSED AS UNNECESSARY HERE

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There was a full attendance at the meeting, there being present: Mr. R. R. Todd (Chairman), Hon. Dr. P. S. Selwyn-Clarke, Hon. Mr. R. M. Henderson, Hon. Mr. R. A. C. North, Hon. Mr. T. H. King, Mr. F. C. Hall, Dr. R. A. de Castro, Mr. L. C. F. Bellamy, Mr. A. el Arculli, Dr. S. N. Chau, Mr. W. N. T. Tam, Mr. B. Wong Tape, Mr. Tang Shiu-kin, M.B.E., Mr. J. Watson (Secretary).

The Chairman, pursuant to notice, moved the adoption of the by-laws relating to Reconstituted Milk and Reconstituted Cream as previously published.

He said: Members are doubtless aware that reconstituted milk and reconstituted cream have recently been put on sale in this Colony by two local companies. The products have been widely advertised in the local press. The by-laws which you are being asked to pass to-day represent the efforts of the Health Authorities to frame legislation which will cover the manufacture and sale of these articles of food.

It is first necessary that I should explain what reconstituted milk is. The constituents of ordinary milk are generally classified as (1) milk fat, (2) solids-not-fat and (3) water. Milk fat rises as "cream" and may be separated off and churned into butter. The solids-not-fat consist of proteins, lactose (or milk-sugar) and mineral salts (or ash). After the milk fat has been removed from milk the remaining fluid is known as skimmed milk. The water in this skimmed milk may be evaporated, leaving a fine powder (skimmed milk powder) which contains all the solids-not-fat. We have thus separated our original milk into (a) butter (b) skimmed-milk powder and (c) water. (a) and (b) are easily transportable and may be preserved almost indefinitely, while (c) is available everywhere. Since the changes undergone by the milk fat (butter) and by the solids-not-fat (skimmed milk powder) are physical changes and not chemical ones, it is possible, by recombining them with water, in the proper proportions, to re-produce a liquid which has the appearance and most of the other qualities of "milk." This liquid is generally described nowadays as "reconstituted milk."

#### VITAMIN QUESTION

It is vitally important, however, to note that "reconstituted milk" is not "milk" and must never be allowed to be confused with ordinary fresh milk. In some respects reconstituted milk is an improvement on ordinary milk. Its composition is controlled at the will of the manufacturer and may be maintained uniformly, whereas fresh cow's milk varies in composition according to the weather, climate, season of the year, the cow's food, etc. The globules of fat



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produce unpasteurized reconstituted milk and reconstituted cream. By-law 8. (a) This does not prohibit the sale of reconstituted milk, etc., in bulk, but it provides that where the products are sold in containers these containers shall be of a type approved by the Council. (b) This will prevent containers being filled elsewhere than in the Food Factory where the reconstituted milk is manufactured and should prevent the mixing of reconstituted milk with ordinary milk by unscrupulous purveyors.

#### SEALING BOTTLES

(c) This prescribes how bottles used as containers shall be sealed, capped, labelled etc. (1) is self-explanatory. (2) is to ensure that the public will be given every opportunity to see what it is buying. (3) is for the special benefit of the Chinese public. The expression *choi cho nat*, literally "again made milk" or "re-created milk," hence "reconstituted milk," has been specially invented in this connection and we want to standardize its use. Hence no other Chinese characters may be used without the permission of the Council. The same applies to the Chinese expression for reconstituted cream. (4) is self-explanatory.

By-law 9. This is intended to ensure that reconstituted milk shall be sold only in premises known to and inspected by the Council either because (1) they are registered as a Dairy or as a Milk Shop or (2) they are the registered Food Factory in which the reconstituted milk is manufactured.

By-law 10. It is hoped that this by-law will ensure that reconstituted milk or reconstituted cream will not be fraudulently sold to the public as ordinary milk or ordinary cream by unscrupulous purveyors.

#### SOLICITORS' LETTER

The Chairman continued: A letter has been received this morning from the solicitors representing one of the two companies and it objects to certain of these by-laws. The letter states that having regard to the short notice of the matter and its urgency, they were instructed to send a copy of the letter to the additional members of the Council to enable them to consider it before this meeting. Unofficial members stated that they had received these copies.

The Chairman: I would like to point out that this particular company has had anything but short notice. A meeting was held in January at which their representatives were present and since then I have written several letters to them. I enclosed copies of the proposed by-laws when the last letter was written some six weeks ago—and since then I have had no reply. Briefly, they first object to 8 (c) referring to the disc on which the words "Reconstituted milk or cream" must be printed as prominently as the word "milk". They object to the fact that no other Chinese characters may be used on the disc without the permission of the Council. The words they use are, as near as possible "Hygienic milk" and the name on the bottle is "Guaranteed Safe Cows' Milk Co." or its equivalent. However, if they are prepared to comply with our regulation as to the disc, I think we can allow them to keep the bottles as one must see the disc first. Our by-law does not prevent them using the words "safe milk" as long as they also use the word "reconstituted milk". So far it is merely called "re-constituted pasteurized" and does not say milk at all. The words "safe milk," the legal authorities tell me, cannot be prevented.

The second point raised in the letter is that the company consider it *ultra vires* for the Council to make by-laws which have anything to do with the way in which reconstituted milk is sold or advertised. Page 96 gives you the law and the legal authorities say we have the power in this respect.

Mr. Bellamy: Do you propose to allow them to keep the bottles so long as their discs conform to the Council's requirements?

The Chairman: Yes, I think so. In the table discussion which followed, members examined the bottled milk and discussed whether the disc, covered by a transparent wrapper, would not make it easier for the disc wording to become obvious to the consumer. Another member asked whether the company would be allowed to use all its stock of bottles and whether it would have to get a different bottle eventually. This matter was not settled. Dr. Basto then moved an amendment to the proposal.

#### DR. BASTO'S AMENDMENT

He said: Mr. Chairman, I wish to make the following propositions viz:—1. That the proposed by-law No. 7 which makes the pasteurization of reconstituted milk compulsory, be deleted altogether. 2. That the whole proposed by-law No. 8 be deleted. (Continued on Page 4.)

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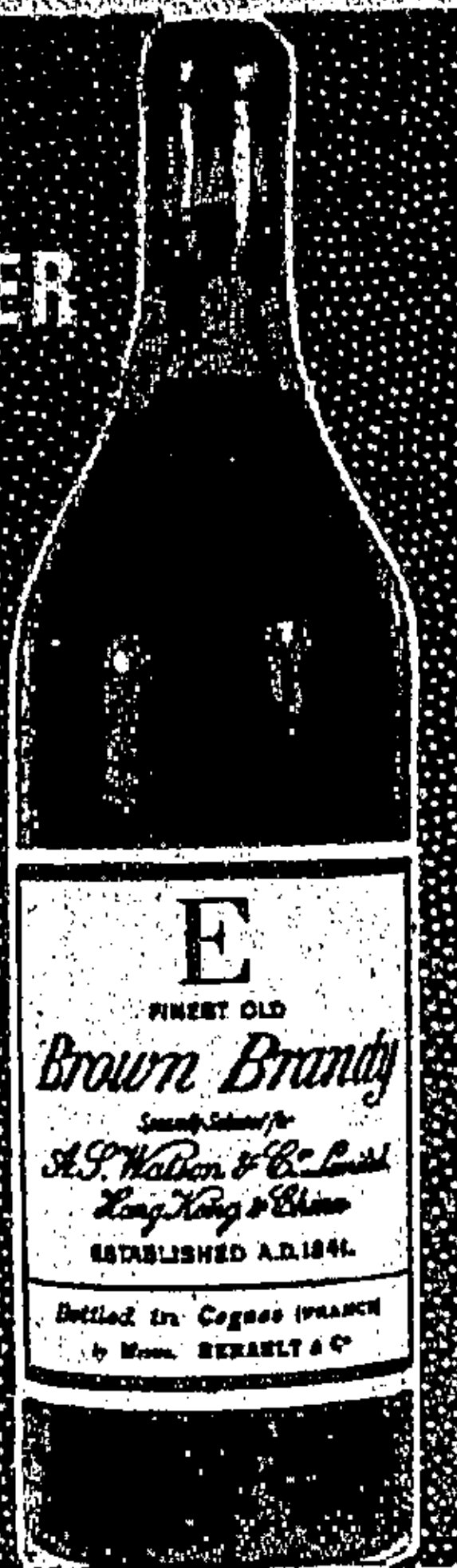


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## EDUCATION FOR HEALTH

There are signs that Hongkong is officially aware of the continuing danger of epidemic here. Dr. S. N. Chau's penetrating questions in the Urban Council and Dr. P. S. Selwyn-Clarke's recent appeal for public co-operation are indicative of the public and professional interest in the situation. This newspaper has discussed the problem of community safeguards and has given the widest publicity to reports on the progress of the fight against smallpox, which has been waged tirelessly by doctors and nurses for the past many months, in the hope of impressing upon the public the necessity for co-operation in precaution. And although the subject may be distasteful to many who feel that it is being over-emphasised, it is submitted that preparedness in this connection is one thing which cannot be too often or too greatly stressed. Possibly by repetition of warnings in one form or another the proper attitude to disease generally may be created. Smallpox is not the only thing this community has to guard against. The conditions in which the bulk of the population lives are such that disease can and will spread rapidly unless everything possible is done to prevent and control it. And prevention should come before cure, and is more to be desired than cure.

Admittedly, it is not among the English-reading population that the need for enlightenment is most evident. But the ignorant people can be reached through servants and employees to some extent; and if every householder and employer of labour were to disseminate information on this vital subject of health, the knowledge would reach many thousands. This is one method of campaign. It is suggested that it is as necessary as the precautionary teaching against air raids, and every bit as much a duty of the public. Perhaps the medical authorities would be well advised to draw up a programme for the assistance of those who are willing to talk to Chinese workers, with the idea of enlisting the latter in the scheme. The extensive use of posters might be a valuable adjunct. Lessons in hygiene so taught would be of immense value to the general health of the Colony, without a doubt, and might do something towards lessening the terrible toll which tuberculosis takes annually among the Chinese.

This is the Lenten season. At this time for spiritual stock-taking JAMES DOUGLAS asks:

# Have your prayers been answered?

LORD HALIFAX is a man of prayer. Guy Eden tells us in an article about him that "he prays before he makes any important decision."

The House of Commons prays every day before it starts its business, although William Barkley tells us that most of its members are absentees.

They pray only in order to make sure of their seats on a day of crisis.

I wish we could get the whole nation on its knees in a passion of prayer for peace. I wish we could get all the other nations on their knees beside us. There would be no danger of another world war if the world could unite in praying for peace.

I would rule out all public prayer and put my trust in private prayer.

I would ask for private and silent prayer in all countries at noon every day.

I am sure that God answers prayer. I learned to pray at my mother's knees. Let me tell how God answered my mother's prayers.

WHEN I was a child I was blind for six months. I was led about the house with a veil before my eyes. I remember those months of blindness.

A circus was parading in the street. My nurse carried me in her arms to see the elephants. I remember how I strained my eye-sight to catch a glimpse of the elephants. All I could see were great dim shadows. The elephants were invisible.

The ophthalmic surgeon told my mother that nothing could be done to restore my eyesight. I remember how my mother wept when she heard his verdict.

DID she lose her faith in God? No. I remember how she led me into our parlour. She closed the door and she made me kneel beside her as she prayed.

She dedicated me to the service of God as she poured out her supplications for the restoration of my eyesight.

My mother based her prayer upon the story of Hannah and the child Samuel. It is the love-

liest story in the world. It is told in I. Samuel. i.:

"...why weepest thou? and why eatest thou not? And why is thy heart grieved? Am not I better to thee than ten sons?"

Thus spake Elkanah, her husband, to his childless wife.

"So Hannah rose up after they had eaten in Shiloh, and after they had drunk. Now Eli the priest sat up on a seat by a post of the temple of the Lord.

"And she was in bitterness of soul, and prayed unto the Lord, and wept sore.

"And she vowed a vow, and said, O Lord of hosts, if thou wilt indeed look on the affliction of thine handmaid...but wilt give unto thine handmaid a man child, then I will give him unto the Lord all the days of his life."

My mother, like Hannah, "vowed a vow." Her prayer was answered. My eyesight was restored. The doctor was astounded. He could hardly believe his own eyes. He told my mother that it was a miracle.

Of course, the cynics will sneer. They will also jeer. They will ridicule my belief that I owe my eyesight to my mother's prayers. But I know

that the cynics are wrong. They are always wrong.

I COULD give many other proofs that God answers prayer, proofs out of my own life, proofs so strong that they would be accepted in a court of law as circumstantial evidence beyond all question.

In prayer the soul, even without the use of human language but solely by faith, can enter the presence of God and be transformed by His power and His pity, by His tender mercy and loving-kindness.

This is an experience and an experiment which cannot be shared or even understood by the cynic or the materialist. It is, nevertheless, as real as any laboratory experiment conducted by men of science.

THE scientific test of a scientific experiment is that it can be repeated under the same conditions.

Prayer endures this test. It is a spiritual experiment that can be repeated by anybody who chooses. It has, in fact, been repeated by millions of men after century.

But the essential condition must be present. The soul must believe in God. It must obey God. It must humble itself before Him and purify its life. "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God."

Prayer is not the monopoly of any creed or any sect. I am ready to pray with any believer in God. I felt the presence of God in the Mosque of Omar in Jerusalem—the Dome of the Rock.

I felt it in the Church of the Nativity at Bethlehem. I wish I could say I felt it in the Church of the Holy Sepulchre in Jerusalem, where the warring sects hate each other.

I felt the true awe of holy power in the Parthenon. It was not merely the classical tradition which I felt. It was religious awe. It was the presence of God.

I felt it even as I gazed at the ruin of the Temple of Eleusis. God was there. The Eleusinian mysteries were a religious revelation.

In Nature the presence of God is felt by the religious vision. He is everywhere, in everything.

I CANNOT explain the mystery of prayer or the process by which God answers prayer. But for me the proof is more than sufficient.

Science is groping after the secrets of the electrons and protons and neutrons and photons which constitute the microcosmic universe of the atom. It is startled by the discovery that there is an unforeseeable and unpredictable behaviour in the secret heart of Nature.

Prayer brings new forces into play. It is the play of these new forces that we call answers to prayer. If we could gather evidence of answers to prayer from all believers in prayer the world would be astonished.

## Each Year We Use 5,000 Million Pins

EVERYBODY uses the simple pin, very few people manufacture it—two facts that equally delight the cheerful pin industry that has flourished in England, on family lines, for three centuries.

There are few upstarts in the pin world, for the total British industry is worth only a little more than £400,000 a year, employing some 3,000 people, and would-be industrial emperors aim at greater trades. So most of the pin firms have histories at least a century old, and faded Press-cuttings and daguerrotypes of worthy Victorians cluster the walls of their sedate offices.

Nevertheless, pins have founded several fortunes. The pin king of Britain, Mr. Charles Beard, now in his seventy-ninth year, chairman and almost sole proprietor of Kirby, Beard and Co., Ltd., spent his youth hunting and trawling the world, and lives in a pleasant house with some 100 acres near Leamington. His brother William, who died on his way to Egypt several years ago, had been for 30 years one of the staunchest winter residents of Shepherd's, in Cairo, and a pillar of Egyptian pony-racing.

The brothers inherited their business at Birmingham, the centre of the industry, from their father, George Beard, who lived in a huge country house at Thirkethorn, near Kenilworth, and died some years before the war worth about £60,000 after having made over the business to his sons. Before him there was another George Beard, who joined the Kirbys in 1810. The Kirbys had disappeared by 1854. The big store of Kirby, Beard in Paris, founded to sell pins after the Napoleonic wars, now has a capital of 4,000,000 francs, and still contributes to the family fortunes.

There are no more Beards to carry on the name, but their successors are ready. Old George Beard, governor of a school near Birmingham, noticed that young Walter Villiers came up for a prize three years in succession. He gave him a job, and now Mr. Walter Villiers, business man in the grand old tradition, is managing director of the firm, with his son Cecil, on the board. Their products—for they make many things now beside pins—go all over the world.

The Beards are the biggest of the pin families, but there are others. Daniel Freote Taylor once invented a pin-machine, and his name, but not his family, still trades. About the same time, Robert Charlton started to make pins. A Charles Lambert bought him out, and was bought out in turn by the present firm, Tubbs Lewis and Co., Ltd., elastic manufacturers of to-day.

A little later, with the spread of machinery, the safety-pin, degraded form of brooch, came into prominence. George Goodman, needle-maker's apprentice, who had run away to sea, came back to start his own needle factory, switched over to these new-fangled safety-pins, and founded the firm which to-day specialises in them and uses 600 miles of wire a week.

Until four years ago, the pin industry of Britain was having a slump. Shingled hair had hit the hairpin trade badly, although permanent waves brought in a big new trade with hairdressers themselves. Gone were the days when it took two mouthfuls of pins to make a woman's dress, for most women to-day buy dresses ready-made, mass-manufactured by a process that needs few pins at all. Sales dropped by 20 per cent. for that reason alone.

But that was not the true cause of the slump. Sales of £332,000 in 1922 fell to £297,000 in 1927 because of a flood of foreign pins from the Continent. The pin king of the world, William Prym, with his huge factory near Aachen, his private railway station, his own smelting works, was invading the English market. By descent he is English himself, the twelfth generation of a William Prym who emigrated in 1559, and started making pins by hand in Aachen.

On the Continent, Prym was having trouble with Walde, originally a snaphastener man, post-war Czechoslovakian venturer into pin markets, with factories at Prague and Dresden. But in England they sank differences, and helped by a big German Government subsidy, the Goodmans, the Taylors and such, in desperation, English pin-makers began to undercut too. Twice they formed an association to stabilise prices, and twice, owing to Prym and Walde, it was abandoned in favour of more price-cutting. In 1937 English makers sold nearly half their products abroad, while the country imported £30,000 worth of German, Czech and other pins.

English pin-makers asked for protection. A Board of Trade Committee sat, and reported the industry too small to get a tariff. Prym and Walde sent more pins, and by 1930, imports totalled £35,000 in value. Then came the general tariff barriers of 1932, and pins got an import duty of 33 1-3 per cent. Imports crashed to £13,000 in 1932, £12,000 in 1934. Walde was practically out of it; Prym got about £5,000 worth of trade, which, with his subsidy, he continues to get.

But since 1932 the eight principal English pin manufacturers, excluding safety-pin specialists, re-formed their association, to stabilise prices. Now they make most of the five thousand million solid-head pins, the six million lbs. of safety pins and the 370 million hairpins which Great Britain

and her customers use each year. Sales last year were well over £400,000.

The pin that the housewife unthinkingly sticks into her dress, or the banker into a pile of papers, has a history longer than that of almost any domestic machine. When man emerged from prehistory to the state of having something to pin together, he plucked a thorn from a bush; bronze pins are frequent relics of the bronze age. By 1483 they were sufficiently important in England to become a protected industry, but for more than a century they still came mostly from France, expensive articles for which rich merchants gave their wives special allowance, thereafter called "pin money."

Three centuries ago, enterprising John Tilley started making pins in Gloucestershire, for long the home of the industry. They were still handmade and expensive, although by Charles II's reign they had been beaten down to 1s. for 300. Then, early in the nineteenth century, came the inevitable machine, and the consolidation of three firms which still survive, with modern rivals, as pin-makers.

There are three materials to-day for pins—brass, steel and iron. Brass, rustproof and expensive, are the class pins, manufactured in one process, and then acid-whitened. Steel have sharper points, but, from soft wire, they take four processes of forming, hardening, tempering and colouring. It takes five days to make a steel pin, and it costs more than brass. Cheaper steel pins are made from hard wire direct, but are not so sharp. Iron pins are cheapest, plated and rust-proofed, although nobody here can discover a process to coat iron with chrome. Processes in this industry are dead secrets, machines are made in private work shops, and not even patented, lest they be copied.

Pins range through long catalogue sheets from the 3/4in. blanket pins to the tiny nickel pins that entomologists stick through butterflies. These cost 12s. an ounce, a lot of money for the ounce, about £500. A few ounces furnish a museum.

Who uses all these pins? Everybody. Railways and the Government issue huge contracts. Banks and insurance companies, who must pin many papers together, can order few at a time. So can some pawnbrokers, who use so many to pin pledges tickets on, that a special pin bears their name. This trade booms every year just before Christmas. Lace-makers buy long, thin pins, on which to twist hand-made lace, furriers use huge quantities to pin furs out to dry. Pin-makers are the people who would like flag-days every day for to each flag a pin.

As the pin-makers point out, from the pin in the baby's nappie to the pin in the burial shroud, their products go right through a man's life. It is a small, but a vital trade.

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By T. Paul Gregory

OF THE MANY PERSONS OF EUROPEAN DESCENT WHO WERE BORN IN HONGKONG, FEW CAN CLAIM THE HONOUR OF SUCCESSFUL CAREERS OF ACHIEVEMENT WHICH HAVE RENDERED THEIR NAMES ILLUSTRIOUS IN THE ANNALS OF HIS MAJESTY'S DIPLOMATIC SERVICE.

During last century there was one of the Colony's native sons who became a leading diplomat of the time, and whose name is still remembered for his manifold efforts in bringing about a better understanding between ancient Cathay and the nations of the West. This was Sir Walter Caine Hillier, an outstanding sinologue of his day.

Sir Walter C. Hillier was born in Hongkong in 1849. He was the son of Charles Batten and Eliza Mary (Medhurst) Hillier. His parents were highly educated folk, and what was remarkable in those days for Europeans, both possessed an extensive knowledge and interest in the Cantonese idiom, and were warm friends of the Chinese inhabitants.

The father, moreover, was a man who had, in the space of five years, advanced from the position of a former ship's mate to Chief Magistrate of the Colony—a truly remarkable achievement, perhaps, unprecedented in the annals of old Hongkong. The mother, Walter H. Medhurst, D. D., of the London Missionary Society, of Shanghai, who was famed for his enterprise in compiling one of the first Chinese-English dictionaries, which for many years was a standard work in all the foreign consulates along the China coast.

## EDUCATED AT HOME

In view of such a cultural heritage, it is not surprising that the son, Sir Walter, should decide to make the acquisition of the Chinese language his serious purpose in life, and to devote his knowledge to the service of the Crown. Perhaps the parents foresaw their son's laudable ambition; for they decided to give him an excellent education at home.

He was first sent to the Bedford Grammar School, and later to Blundell's School at Tiverton in Devon. After his graduation from the latter institution, at the age of eighteen he entered the Diplomatic Service as a student interpreter of Chinese.

The young man seems to have made commendable progress in the mastery of such a difficult tongue; for in the year 1870, he was appointed Assistant Chinese Secretary to the Legation at Peking. He continued in this post until 1885, when he was promoted First Chinese Secretary.

## CONSUL GENERAL IN KOREA

In 1891, Sir Walter obtained recognition for his years of studious effort in the important diplomatic appointment as Consul-General at Seoul, Korea. This Asiatic country which had long remained the "Hermit Kingdom" had been opened to Britain by the Treaty of 1884, and Sir Walter, like those other intelligent and able representatives of the greatest of all colonising powers,

DIVORCED FOR  
SNORING

Paris, Thursday.  
After 17 years of married life a woman obtained a divorce against her husband, a Paris musician, here today on the ground that he snored in such a "provocative manner."

She pleaded that she had not been able to sleep quietly for many years. This had a bad effect on her health. A former tenant of the next flat said in evidence he had to move as he could not bear the noise of the man's snoring.

The wife also said her husband, at her request, consulted a doctor, who told him he could be cured by a surgical operation.  
But the snorer declined to have this done.  
The case was undefended.

## Blondes' Boom

London.  
Sir James Crichton-Browne, 86-year-old doctor, believes he has an answer to the question "Why gentlemen prefer blondes."  
There is a good deal of truth in the allegation, he says, that blondes are "sexually satisfied" and "unusually much more common in blondes than in brunettes, and it tends to make them more contented and more contented."

LEAVING COLONY  
ON RETIREMENT

MR. A. STEVENSON, former Manager of the Dairy Farm Company, who is leaving Hongkong on retirement this week.—Mee Cheung, Photo.

## PACIFIC ISLANDS

Several  
Nations  
Seeking  
Control

By Henry Wood  
United Press Staff Correspondent  
San Francisco.

BETWEEN Oriental hostilities, German demands for return of her colonies, the naval armaments race and the necessity for holding all strategic positions, the whole constellation of the South Sea Islands soon may be playing a prominent role in world politics, the Institute of Pacific Relations reports.

With the world's future storm centre shifting from Europe to the Far East and the Pacific region generally, the Institute foresees the possibility of many of these islands becoming pawns between the "have-nots" and the "haves," and even between the "haves" themselves.

## QUESTION TO FOREFRONT

"The forceful claims of the 'have-not' countries, including Japan, have brought the colonial question into the forefront of political discussion," the survey reported. "Meanwhile, it added, 'naval armaments are increasing and a new interest is manifested in Pacific fortifications.' As far as the British, French and American colonies in the South Seas are concerned, the greatest value of these islands is essentially strategic, as their economic value is slight, the Institute finds. They also are unfit, because of unhealthy conditions, for general colonisation purposes.

But with the development of cable connections, beneath the Pacific, air routes above, and general naval and merchant marine activities on the ocean, the islands suddenly have become of great importance for the purpose of fortification, establishment of fueling stations, stopping places for airlines and even small harbours for naval purposes.

With the exception of American naval bases at Guam and American Samoa, and alleged fortification by the Japanese of their mandated possessions, "there is little at present to indicate that any great use is being made of these islands to strengthen imperial or national defences," the Institute said.

## FUELING STATIONS

Recently returned naval officers from Samoa say that it contains possibilities for one of the finest aviation harbours in the South Sea region. Indications are that all of the powers concerned are looking more and more to strategic development of fueling stations and possible harbours for smaller fleet units.

Discussing Germany's demands for return of her former colonies, the institute foresees little hope as far as Germany's Pacific islands are concerned. All north of the equator in Japan and all south to Great Britain, Australia and New Zealand. Japan is holding her islands, although she has left the league from which she received them, and admittedly is looking for new ones. Australia and New Zealand, because of their sacrifices during the war, are equally determined not to give up their mandated possessions, and only because they constitute the only recognised received for their sacrifices, but because they foresee the possibility they eventually may become stepping stones for Japan toward Australia.

## FORTIFICATIONS SOON

As a consequence, while it is believed that little or no change will take place in the present status quo of the islands, there is likely to be as much competition in fortifying and developing them as there is at present in the matter of naval armaments.

The fact that so little attention has been paid to date to development of these islands in the lines of defence of the countries involved is because the Washington naval treaty prohibited, at the request of Japan, any further fortifications in the Pacific area.

However, with these treaties no longer in effect and with Japan herself taking the initiative in aggression in the Far East, it is believed that the possibilities of these islands from a strategic and fortified standpoint will not be further overlooked.

1,200 YEARS  
TO RE-PAY  
Indian Mortgage

The popular impression that debtors alone are anxious to take advantage of the provisions of the Agricultural Debtors Act has no basis in fact, says a Bengal Government Press Note. As a matter of fact, creditors have been found equally keen on settlement through debt settlement boards.

An examination of the cases before the different boards in the Howrah District has revealed, continues the Note, that in some boards most of the applications come from creditors. Quite satisfactory results have been obtained from the operations of boards in the various districts. Both parties have been satisfied with the decision of the Boards, the debtor on being relieved of a heavy burden of debt and the creditor on getting an award without having to go through the costly process of litigation.

## INTERESTING CASES

The report of an interesting case comes from Bakurranj district where a cultivator in 1928 borrowed Rs. 200 in exchange for the usufructuary mortgage of 2½ acres of land, the principal and interest to be extinguished after 1,200 years (sic). This transaction, which was virtually a sale, was successfully tackled by the board. The creditor returned half the land to the borrower and retained half for himself for a period of 14 years and agreed to pay rent for the whole.

In a Faridpur case the claim was for Rs. 800 on account of a usufructuary mortgage. The land had already been enjoyed by the creditor in lieu of interest for nine years. The debtor, having paid nothing towards the principal of loan, was sued and the land was about to be sold when the suit was stayed on account of the filing of the case before the board. The claim was settled at Rs. 425.

Army Unravels  
Lineage Snarl

San Francisco

The U. S. army has a new recruit, whose enlistments, however, presented an international tangle that required all of the proverbial efficiency of the army to get untangled in a reasonably short period.

The new recruit is 16-year-old Gerard Cotter. He is an American citizen but had never seen the United States until he arrived here recently hoping to get a job in the merchant marine.

His father was a naval petty officer serving in China when he was born. His mother was an Irish citizen of Dublin and his "native" language was Chinese although he speaks English with the same degree of fluency.

His one claim to American citizenship was that his father was an American.

But with the fact that his father is dead, and his mother had returned to Dublin, the army was somewhat tested to establish the authenticity of his claims.  
He declared he had already been a soldier having enlisted with the Shanghai Volunteer Militia at the time when that organization was being recruited during the Japanese attack on the city.  
The recruitment service finally found that the U. S. Marine in

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1.00 Time and Weather.  
1.05 Patricia Rossborough (Piano). Anything Goes—Selection (Cole Porter). Midnight in Mayfair (Newell Chase) Some Of These Days (Brooks).

1.15 New Mayfair Orchestra. "Mother Of Pearl"—Selection (O. Strauss). "Going Greek"—Selection. 1.30 Reuter & Rugby Press, Weather and Announcements.

1.40 Variety Programme.  
Orchestra—Way Down Yonder In New Orleans (Creamer—Layton); Ain't Misbehavin' (Waller—Brooks). ... Max Abrams and His Rhythm Makers; Vocal—Ring Down The Curtain (Koster—Miller—Lida); Did I Remember (From "Suzi"). ... Gracie Fields with Orchestra Accompaniment; Piano Solo—Fox-Trot Medley; Waltz Medley—Billy Thorburn (Piano solo with drums); Warner—Weeping Willow (Miller); You Can't Go Away Like That (Miller). ... Max Miller; Vocal—In The Mission By The Sea (Hill—De Rose); Mine Alone (O'Connor—Silver—de Murela). ... Brian Lawrence with Fred Hartley and His Orchestra; Vocal—Lonely Street (M. H. Porter). ... Turner Layton.

2.15 Close Down.  
6.0-7.0 Chinese Programme.  
1.0 Dance Music.  
Quickstep—Shy (Strauss—Dale). ... Victor Silvester and His Ballroom Orchestra; Fox-Trot—Once In A While (Green Edwards); Waltz—Glennina Mia (From "Firefly"). ... Victor Silvester and His Ballroom Orchestra; Fox-Trot—So Many Memories (Woods); Waltz—Don't Forget The Old Folks At Home (Noel Pease). ... Billy Thorburn and His Music with vocal refrain.

7.17 Closing local Stock Quotations.  
7.20 London Relay—The Slow-away.  
A play for broadcasting by R. Matthews.  
The "Orchus", a nondescript tramp steamer of about 3,500 tons, is 48 hours out from port when a mysterious glowaway is discovered on board. Production by Leslie Stokes.

7.45 Excerpts from Gilbert & Sullivan.  
"Patience" Prithree, Pretty Maiden ... Winifred Lawson—Leslie Hands Duet with Orchestra; Let The Merry Cymbals Sound (Finale, Act 1). ... D. Oldham—D. Fancourt—M. Green—G. Baker and Chorus of Girls and Dragons with Orch.; Stay, We Implore You (Finale, Act 1). ... D. Fancourt—D. Oldham—G. Baker and Mixed Chorus with Orchestra; Oh, Fortune, To My Aching Heart Be Kind (Finale, Act 1, Cont.). ... G. Baker—B. Lewis—W. Lawson—D. Fancourt—M. Green—M. Eyre, N. Brercliffe with Orchestra.

8.0 Time Signal, Weather and Announcements.  
8.03 A Variety Programme; Vocal Drinks All Round ... Columbia Vocal Cam Company with two Pianists; Piano Solo—Charlie Kunz Piano Medley No. D. 11 ... Charlie Kunz with Rhythm Accompaniment; Humorous—The Ole In The Ark (Marriott Edgar) ... Stanley Holloway with Piano; Orchestra—The Happy Whistler (Baptiste—Alexander) with Whistling; Humorous—Jenny and The Grampus (Marriott Edgar) ... Stanley Holloway with Piano; Orchestra—Souvenir Of Love—Fox-Trot (From "Sailing Along"); Trusting My Luck—Fox-Trot (From "Sailing Along") ... Roy Fox and His Orch.; vocal refrain by Denny Dennis; Orchestra—True Confession—Fox-Trot (From the film) There's A Gold Mine In The Sky—Fox-Trot (C. and N. Kenny) ... Roy Fox and His Orchestra; vocal refrain by Denny Dennis.

8.45 London Relay—"Monkey Wrenches in the Trade Machine"—A talk by Sir Josiah Stamp, a.c.s., a.m.s.

9.0 London Relay—"In and Out of Rhythm".  
Round 1.  
A contest between sweet and swing music with Len Haynes (sweet) and Dinah Miller (swing); Refereed by John Dodsworth and supported by The Beau-Brummels.

9.30 London Relay—The News.  
9.35 Songs by Denny Dennis (Baritone). ... Shall Have Mink (H. J. Brindley—W. H. Murray); Son Of Mine (From "Travels With Songs"); The Rebel (From "Frederick Songs").

10.0 London Relay—Journey To Billy.  
A contest between sweet and swing music with Len Haynes (sweet) and Dinah Miller (swing); Refereed by John Dodsworth and supported by The Beau-Brummels.

10.20 London Relay—The News.  
10.25 Songs by Denny Dennis (Baritone). ... Shall Have Mink (H. J. Brindley—W. H. Murray); Son Of Mine (From "Travels With Songs"); The Rebel (From "Frederick Songs").

10.50 London Relay—Concerto No. 3 In E Flat Major, Op. 71.  
Played by Arthur Schnabel (Piano) and the London Symphony Orchestra, conducted by Sir Malcolm Sargent.

11.0 Close Down.

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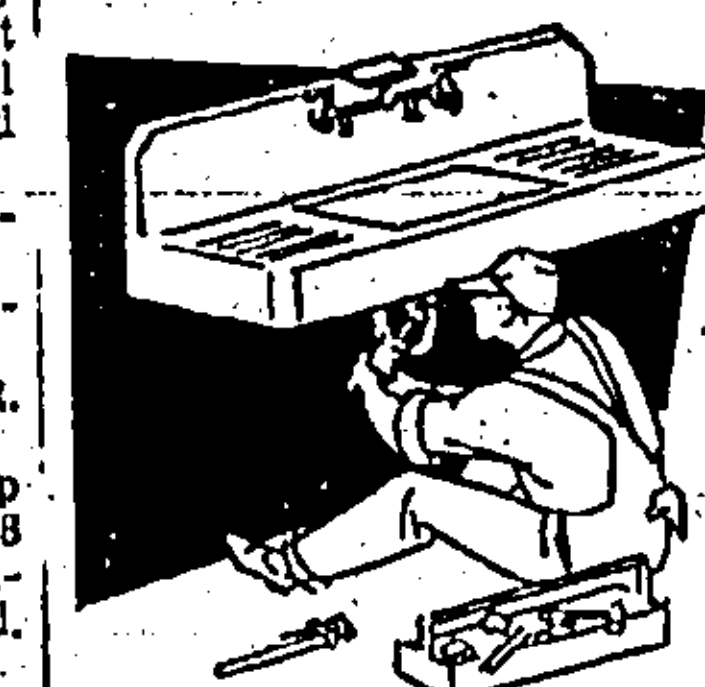
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Central Films Limited, the only Canadian company regularly producing full-length films, announced today its decision to close down as a result of the policy of the British authorities in confining the quota regulations set out in the new Films Bill to companies in the United Kingdom.—Reuter.

An account of a visit made to the Islands in early March, 1952.

10.20 Beethoven—Concerto No. 3 In E Flat Major, Op. 71.  
Played by Arthur Schnabel (Piano) and the London Symphony Orchestra, conducted by Sir Malcolm Sargent.

11.0 Close Down.

Oxford Graduate Gaoled  
In Russia

Moscow.  
M. Roman Blisko, an Oxford graduate and former British subject, has been arrested in the current "purge" of Soviet citizens working for foreigners and foreign organisations.

M. Blisko, who is a barrister, was employed on important legal translation work by Soviet organisations and also by the United States Embassy in Moscow.

Born about 80 years ago in Poland, he was taken to England as a child and educated there. He returned to Russia after the revolution and worked for the Soviet Government.



# LAST YEAR'S TENNIS DOUBLES FINAL RE-ENACTED

## RUMJAHNS BEAT TEDDY FINCHER AND W. C. HUNG

### BRILLIANT VOLLEYING FEATURES ENCOUNTER

(By "R. Abill")

Last year's doubles final was re-enacted on the stand court of the Hongkong C.C. yesterday afternoon when S.A. and H.D. Rumjahn defeated E. C. Fincher and W. C. Hung in the Colony Tennis Championships; but whereas last year's match was in the final and lasted four sets, yesterday's was in the fourth round of the tournament and was finished in two.

The cousins won by 6-2, 7-5, and were extremely lucky to terminate the match in two sets; three times Fincher and Hung had set point but failed to win the vital stroke and their Rumjahns then went along to their victory which, however, was not as decisive as that the two combinations clashed in such comparatively early stage of the competition. On their form yesterday, both pairs deserved to enter the semi-finals, and it was bad luck on the part of Fincher and Hung that they had to meet the Rumjahns before the penultimate round was reached.

The match produced a high standard of play, several splendid rallies being seen. Had Fincher not been off-colour, the game would have been considerably closer. It would be unfair to say that Hung fought a single-handed battle; but at the same time, it could justly be said that Fincher's support was not everything it should have been. Teddy was definitely the weak link and the Rumjahns, the fine tacticians that they are, played upon it.

#### HUNG SHINES

Almost throughout the match, Hung stood head and shoulders above the other three men on the court. At the net he had no equal, out-volleying even "H.D.", which is high tribute indeed. His smashing toe was in fine order and he obtained an angle to his overhead shots which none of the other three could emulate.

While Hung lost only one service in the course of the match, Fincher lost four out of five. In fact, Fincher never seemed quite happy during the whole of the encounter.

Motormouth slow starters as a rule, the Rumjahns jumped into the best form right away and played extremely steadily throughout. Their volleying at times was reminiscent of their best days and their driving was more accurate than has been the case for a long while, but their overhead play still remained their weakest point.

With both pairs taking the net at the slightest opportunity, some fine volleying duels were witnessed. Hung was seen to best advantage here often scoring with splendid placements.

#### HOW GAMES WENT

Fincher lost both his services in the first set and the Rumjahns took it with the loss of but two games. The second started on a promising note for Fincher and Hung. They won the first game and after the Rumjahns had drawn level, Fincher won his service for the first time, and with

Sirdar losing his, the K.C.C.—C.R.C. combination went into a lead of 3-1, which was increased to 4-1 on Hung's service. When Hung had service again, he and his partner were leading 5-3—a good opportunity for him to clinch the set, but for the first time in the match he failed to hold it. Fincher and Hung were still leading 5-4 when H.D. had service. This proved to be the longest and most exciting game of the match. Three times Fincher and Hung had set point and each time they failed to score the vital point. When the Rumjahns had annexed the game to tie the scores, Fincher again lost his service and Sirdar went on to finish the game and match.

#### TSUI WAI-PUI THROUGH

Tsui Wai-pui, favourite for the singles title, entered the quarter-finals at the expense of W. Sander, who obtained only one game in two sets.

Paul Kong, another entry from the C.R.C., also went into the last eight with a victory over a club-mate, F. H. Kwok.

The most dour struggle of the day was that between Leong Ping-chiu and S. W. Liang, both from the C.R.C. It was an interesting match because of the contrast in style. While Leong was strong in his forehand, Liang was weak; but whereas the former's backhand was not reliable, the latter's was extremely so.

Some of the rallies were long but they were always interesting. The match went to three sets, and ended in a win for Leong Ping-chiu. The loser was unlucky with some of his shots which either just failed to clear the net or went inches outside.

#### Scores:

#### OPEN SINGLES

Tsui Wai-pui beat W. Sander 6-1, 6-0.  
Paul Kong beat F. H. Kwok 6-2, 6-2.  
Leong Ping-chiu beat S. W. Liang 6-4, 3-6, 6-2.

#### OPEN DOUBLES

S. A. and H. D. Rumjahn beat E. C. Fincher and W. C. Hung 6-2, 7-5.

#### TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

The most interesting match to-day will be the singles tie between W. C. Hung and George Choa in the second round of the singles. The latter is a promising player, but it is doubtful whether he has progressed enough to be any threat to Hung, who is playing very well at the moment. Some fine play is assured.



S. A. and H. D. Rumjahn, in play against E. C. Fincher and W. C. Hung in the quarter-finals of the Colony Tennis Doubles Championship on the Hongkong C. C. stand court yesterday. They won the match by 6-2, 7-5. (Photo: Mee Cheung).

## SCRAP CUP BONUSES

### New Scale Inciting Players To Turn Ties Into Money Making Racket

By Arbitr (Frank M. Carruthers)

London, Feb. 23.

The new scale Cup bonuses ought to be scrapped. To say to a player "There is £16 if you win this match" is simply an incitement to him to turn the ties into a money-making racket in which the spirit of the game is submerged in the fierceness of the conflict.

I say this deliberately after having been in contact with teams struggling and fighting with a desperation which I have never known before, and I do not believe there is a club who have been engaged in the late stages of the competition who are not conscious of the dangers which have been set up.

It is too late to protest against the way in which clubs embark on their Cup conquests as a means to make extra money, but this is the first time that the players have been allowed to enter into the competition with the same opportunity of cash gain, and the underlying principle of the greatest event in the world is being undermined.

It was never intended that the Cup should have any tangible value. It is not worth more than £25. The honour of winning it was the prize. Players were happy and content with the medals they received as symbols of achievement in reaching the final.

#### PAID BY RESULTS

Now much more is at stake for the players. In addition to any honour they may win, they are invited to seize the chance to go after the money, and it is not surprising that they have accepted it. The footballer, in fact, has been put in much the same position as the boxer, paid by results and induced to make the same calls on his combative physical forces. And football is a game, not a fight.

I have not magnified the position nor its dangers. As Hobbs, the Charlton forward, lay on the stretcher waiting to be taken to hospital with a broken leg, it was remarked, in an attempt to cheer him, "Never mind, Harold, you are still on the bonus." At that time Charlton were beating Aston Villa.

#### F.A. RESPONSIBILITY

Can there be any doubt from the remark, though, it was made lightly, that the bonus is the player's obsession? I would, however, make it clear I do not imply play in the game at Highbury was in any way unfair. What is the position of the Football Association in the matter? It is their competition, but they did not institute the bonus system. They have always said "The finances of the clubs and the game are no concern of ours. The clubs (meaning the League) must settle these for themselves."

But it is their responsibility to see that nothing shall happen to injure the competition. I think, too, that the League clubs will be bound to review the position, for there has never been a season when their own matches have been so plainly subordinated to the Cup-ties through the attitude of the players towards them.

If men are to get three times as much from a Cup-tie as a League match nothing else is to be expected.

#### STEEL COULSON DANCE ARRANGED

The annual Steel Coulson Billiards and Snooker League dance will be held in the China Flat Theatre on Wednesday, April 6, from 8.30 p.m. to 1 a.m. Admission will be by invitation only.

#### Lawn Tennis

### CHINA'S BIG DAY AT NICE

#### Miss Hoahing Beats Mme. Mathieu

By A. Wallis Myers

Nice, Feb. 19.

China captured all the limelight at Nice to-day. First Kho Sin Kie entered the final of the men's singles by a conclusive victory over Robertson; then after a marathon match of two hours, little Gem Hoahing, whose home is at Twickenham, astonished herself, parents and crowd by defeating Mme. Mathieu, holder of the South of France championship.

Hitherto Mme. Mathieu had been a ruthless conqueror of all young players on the Riviera including Senorita Lizana.

The Chinese girl, in her 17th year, won 6-4, 1-6, 13-11. This was Mme. Mathieu's first hard singles match this year. She has recently recovered from jaundice. Even so Mme. Mathieu was the acme of steadiness and determination until Miss Hoahing, by ubiquitous court-covering and extraordinary precision, virtually drained her stamina. The Chinese girl, by playing mixed doubles with hard-hitting men during the winter, has gained pace on her service and drive and although still tentative overhead, owing to small stature, offers no loophole in her defence.

BEAUTIFUL FOOTWORK She was particularly adroit in anticipating Mme. Mathieu's many drop-shots. Her beautiful footwork aided the efficient reply. In handling the French champion's drives she showed discretion, not attempting to volley, but racing back to renew a driving rally. The third set had crises for both; it was the stubbornest bout ever seen at Nice. Mme. Mathieu led 5-4 and had three match-balls on "Miss Hoahing's" service. Each time by cool, gallant retrieving, the Chinese girl forced back-hand errors. At 6-6 Mme. Mathieu, apparently exhausted, served two double-faults, giving Miss Hoahing the lead.

Unforgettable as ever Miss Hoahing reached 40-15. Two match-balls and serving to her distracted opponent the fruit was there to pluck, but apparently score-conscious for the first time Miss Hoahing threw away a great chance by serving a double-fault and nervously mistiming a drive. This unexpected reprieve gave Mme. Mathieu new heart and energy. She returned to fight and played

#### Grimsby Defeated On Own Ground

London, Mar. 29.

Despite the advantage of playing on their own ground, Grimsby lost to Sunderland to-day in the First Division of the English Football League by two goals to nil.—Reuter.

resolutely and well for 12 more games. Miss Hoahing was equally firm and resourceful and, after saving another match-ball she forged ahead and won her final game (the 24th of the set) to love. Mme. Mathieu driving out in despair to finish the match.

#### MISS HOAHING WINS AGAIN

Nice, Feb. 20.

Miss Hoahing entered the final to-day, defeating Miss Valerie Scott, 8-6, 6-3. Reacting after yesterday, the Chinese girl opened unsteadily and Miss Scott's clever angled volleys carried her to 5-1. The English girl then made a sequence of errors and Miss Hoahing won five successive games, subsequently controlling the match by dipping drives.

Miss Wheeler won the other semi-final, beating Mlle. Weivers, 6-4, 2-6, 6-4. It was the first time the American had shown her home form and it was Mlle. Weivers' first reverse in four tournaments.

Ellmer beat Meclain to challenge Kho Sin Kie for the men's title tomorrow.

#### FRENCH TITLE FOR MISS SAUNDERS

Paris, Feb. 20.

Miss Jean Saunders (Great Britain) and K. Schroeder (Sweden) won the French covered courts mixed doubles titles here to-day, beating Mlle. Barbier and J. Lesueur (France) by 6-0, 6-3 in the final.

In the final of the women's doubles Miss Saunders and Mlle. Barbier lost to Mlle. Pannetier and Lobailly, 6-1, 1-6, 6-4.

There was a surprise in the final of the men's singles when Y. Petra, the young French player, beat Schroeder, favourite for the title, by 9-7, 7-5, 3-6, 8-6.—Reuter.

#### ARMY BOXING

The Army Novices Individual Boxing Finals which are to be held at Murray Barracks on Thursday, March 31, will now begin at 9 p.m. and not at 8 p.m. as previously advertised. There will also be several exhibition bouts during the evening. A charge of \$1 will be made for admission.

## F. A. NEARS 75th BIRTHDAY

The Football Association will be 75 years old on October 28, and although it is not intended to celebrate the three-quarter century until October 31, members are already talking over plans for the form it will take.

One thing is certain: they are going to hold a banquet which will equal, if it does not eclipse, the still green memory of the Jubilee dinner held in 1913.

Wherever two or three members of the F.A. are gathered together, ideas are suggested for the birthday party. One idea—as yet quite unofficial—is a match between Great Britain and the Rest of Europe; a composite team from the four home countries playing an international side of French, Czechs, Hungarians, Germans, Austrians, Dutch, Belgians, Scandinavians.

The Football Association, although it has passed its "three score years and ten," is still growing.

#### ROMANS KNEW IT

The game which has ramified all over Europe and is gaining ground rapidly in America was only first formalised in 1863 in the Freemasons' Tavern, Great Queen Street. There were few organisations at that "christening" when soccer—which has a tradition that extends back to the Romans—first gained official recognition.

There were only a handful of clubs present in 1863 the few who liked the "dribbling" game as opposed to the "handling" game.

Even so late as 1890, a great match would draw between 20,000 and 30,000 people. And now an ordinary League match can attract twice as many, and the record crowd for a match in Great Britain is 149,547.

What wonder that the F.A. is to have a really big birthday party?

## Islington Corinthians Back Again

### Meeting South China This Afternoon

After spending three weeks in Manila, the Islington Corinthians, the English football touring amateur team returned to Hongkong this morning by the Empress of Japan.

Playing on March 20 against an All-Manila eleven, led by Alex Boisserie, former Shanghai and Interport star, the Islington Corinthians were beaten by three goals to nil their first defeat since January 5, when they lost to a Burma XI by a goal to nil.

The Islington will appear again this afternoon in a return exhibition match against the South China A.A., whom they beat in the first encounter by 1-0. The game will be played at Caroline Hill, starting at 3.15 p.m.

The tourists will sail on the Empress of Japan on Friday, April 1, for Honolulu. From there they will go to the United States and Canada before returning to England.

A match will be played against Shanghai en route. The Shanghai F.A. is now busy making preparations for the visit and trials are being held to pick the best team available.

## PLENTY OF ROOM AVAILABLE AT CAROLINE HILL

We have been asked to point out that the public need not be afraid of falling to secure seats at Caroline Hill this afternoon for the return football match between the Islington Corinthians and South China Athletic Association.

There is plenty of room available, and the seats are being offered at the attractive prices of \$1.50 and \$1. It is hoped that the football-loving public of the Colony will turn out in full force to give the Corinthians a rousing farewell.

The tourists arrived from Manila this morning, several suffering from the effects of a rough passage, and others from minor injuries received while in Manila. However, it is expected the Corinthians will be able to turn out a very powerful combination this afternoon.



Mrs. Whyte-Smith and Miss Niel McGowan, champion and runner-up respectively at the annual spring meeting of the Ladies' Section of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club held at Fanling last week. In addition to winning the championship, Mrs. Whyte-Smith also won the Captain's Cup. (Photo: Mee Cheung)



SMILE OF VICTORY.—Mrs. Whyte-Smith, champion, and Miss Niel McGowan, runner-up, at the annual spring meeting of the Ladies' Section of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club held at Fanling last week. The course was over a distance of 10 minutes. (Photo: Mee Cheung)



## ONLY ONE KNOCK-OUT REGISTERED

Novices Semi-Finals Decided

Only one knock-out was registered in yesterday's fights in the semi-finals of the Army novices individual championships. Gunner Franklyn (5th A. A. Bde.) having L/Cpl. Harris (M'sex) low in the second round. On Monday, Franklyn knocked-out Pte. Seaton, also in the second round. To-morrow in the final he meets Spr. Spencer (R.E.).

A welterweight fight between Pte. McGreevy (R. Scots) and Pte. Eaton (M'sex), was the finest of the night. It was real fighting and a windmill mix-up right from the start. They hammered each other unceasingly. Points were scored with such rapidity that it was almost impossible to judge. Both earned the congratulations of the referee and the plaudits of the spectators, and it could only have been on the narrowest margin that McGreevy gained the decision.

Lightweight bouts opened the evening's programme. Pte. Chatten (M'sex) beat Pte. Bankier (R. Scots) on points. Chatten made Bankier gasp early in the first round with a hard short jab in the solar plexus. Crossing with his left, he sent Bankier sliding. His eagerness however, earned him a warning for hitting low. Bankier had a swift left, but was ineffective against the quick-moving Chatten.

The second bout was nearly another knock-out, when Pte. Chacksfield (M'sex) sent Pte. Lushum (M'sex) to the boards for a count of eight in the third round. Lushum scored with a series of lefts to the face, but without force. Chacksfield on the other hand, with a rapid one-two left many an impression on his opponent. Chacksfield won.

Pte. McIlhain (R. Scots) had a queer method of boxing. He beat Pte. Coleman (M'sex) on points. Never switching his opponent's face or eyes, but concentrating on the movements of the feet, he lost several opportunities during the exchanges. Swinging where he thought his opponent's head was gave the impression of wildness.

### Polished Exhibition

Sapper Spencer (R.E.) gave the most polished exhibition of the evening in defeating Cpl. Lane (M'sex). He has the makings of a good boxer, but his weakness lies in his punch. His defence was good, and gave Lane little chance of reaching the "button."

Gunner Franklyn opened his bout with L/Cpl. Harris as though he really intended to emulate his performance the night before. Jabs, swings, upper-cuts were all mixed up in a rapid attack. Harris, however, was not the sole recipient of punishment. His blows lacked the force of Franklyn's, and taking one too many in the second round found him draped over the lower rope oblivious of what was happening around him.

Pte. Fookes (M'sex) was seen to great advantage against Bdr. Page (5th A.A. Bde.), and won on points. His defence and ducking was nice to watch, and many occasions made him appear to swing wildly. His tactics carried him through the rounds and left him a definite winner. Page, however, was not outclassed, for it was only a superior defence which beat him.

### To-morrow's Programme

The finals to be held at Murray Barracks to-morrow, will begin at 9 p.m. not 8 p.m. as previously announced.

In addition to the championship programme, several exhibition bouts have been arranged.

The programme is: Bantamweight.—Pte. Williams (M'sex) v. Pte. Toogood (R. Scots); Pte. Craig (R. Scots) v. Signn. Kitcher (R. C. of Sigs.).

Lightweight.—Pte. Chatten (M'sex) v. Pte. Chacksfield (M'sex).

Welterweight.—Pte. McBain (R. Scots) v. Pte. McGreevy (R. Scots).

Middleweight.—Pte. Spencer (R.E.) v. Cnr. Franklyn (5th A.A. Bde.).

Light-heavyweight.—Sigs. Beedford (R.C. of Sigs.) v. Pte. Fookes (M'sex).

Heavyweight.—Pte. Izzard (M'sex) wins.

### Exhibition Bouts

Lightweight.—L/Cpl. Ellis (M'sex) v. Cpl. Elliot (R. Scots).

Middleweight.—Two boxers from R. Scots.

Light-heavyweight.—Bdr. Page (5th A.A. Bde.) v. Lieut. J. M. Culvert (R.E.).

Welterweight.—Two boxers from R. Scots.

### BOXERS RANKED

Max Baer Takes Third Place in Heavyweight List

Washington, Mar. 28. The National Boxing Association quarterly official rankings have been issued. The heavyweight list has Joe Louis as champion, followed by Max Schmelling, Max Baer, Tony Galento, Tommy Farr, Nathan Mann, Bob Pastor, Burman, McCoy and Adameck. Baer has been elevated.

John Henry Lewis tops the light-heavyweight list with Ginner second and Freddie Steele heads the middleweights from Corbett.

Others are: Welterweights.—Barney Ross, Garcia; Lightweights.—Lou Ambers, Pedro Montanez.

Featherweights.—Henry Armstrong; Middleweights.—Stacy Easter; Flyweights.—Benny Lynch, Jackie

## SCHOOLS' SPORTS

Scholars Compete in Heats Yesterday

The heats of inter-school sports took place yesterday at Caroline Hill and from the results the championship apparently lies between Central British, La Salle and St. Joseph's.

The outstanding runner was Telok Singh, of Queen's, who won the 100, 200 and 400 metres.

Results: 100 metres. First heat—Hosgood (C.B.S.), Kan Wah-tuan (D.B.S.) Second heat—J. Woo (St. Joseph's), F. Chan (Wah Yan) Hong Yook-see (Third heat—Telok Singh (Queen's), W. Gegg (C.B.S.).

200 metres. First heat—Castro (La Salle), F. Chan (Wah Yan) Second heat—Telok Singh (Queen's), J. Gosano (La Salle), Boulton (St. Joseph's), Third heat—Kan Wah-tuan (D.B.S.), Bookert (C.B.S.).

400 metres. First heat—Hosgood (C.B.S.), Kan Wah-tuan (D.B.S.) Second heat—J. Woo (St. Joseph's), F. Chan (Wah Yan) Hong Yook-see (Third heat—Telok Singh (Queen's), W. Gegg (C.B.S.).

800 metres. First heat—Hosgood (C.B.S.), Kan Wah-tuan (D.B.S.) Second heat—J. Woo (St. Joseph's), F. Chan (Wah Yan) Hong Yook-see (Third heat—Telok Singh (Queen's), W. Gegg (C.B.S.).

1,600 metres. First heat—Hosgood (C.B.S.), Kan Wah-tuan (D.B.S.) Second heat—J. Woo (St. Joseph's), F. Chan (Wah Yan) Hong Yook-see (Third heat—Telok Singh (Queen's), W. Gegg (C.B.S.).

3,200 metres. First heat—Hosgood (C.B.S.), Kan Wah-tuan (D.B.S.) Second heat—J. Woo (St. Joseph's), F. Chan (Wah Yan) Hong Yook-see (Third heat—Telok Singh (Queen's), W. Gegg (C.B.S.).

6,400 metres. First heat—Hosgood (C.B.S.), Kan Wah-tuan (D.B.S.) Second heat—J. Woo (St. Joseph's), F. Chan (Wah Yan) Hong Yook-see (Third heat—Telok Singh (Queen's), W. Gegg (C.B.S.).

12,800 metres. First heat—Hosgood (C.B.S.), Kan Wah-tuan (D.B.S.) Second heat—J. Woo (St. Joseph's), F. Chan (Wah Yan) Hong Yook-see (Third heat—Telok Singh (Queen's), W. Gegg (C.B.S.).

25,600 metres. First heat—Hosgood (C.B.S.), Kan Wah-tuan (D.B.S.) Second heat—J. Woo (St. Joseph's), F. Chan (Wah Yan) Hong Yook-see (Third heat—Telok Singh (Queen's), W. Gegg (C.B.S.).

51,200 metres. First heat—Hosgood (C.B.S.), Kan Wah-tuan (D.B.S.) Second heat—J. Woo (St. Joseph's), F. Chan (Wah Yan) Hong Yook-see (Third heat—Telok Singh (Queen's), W. Gegg (C.B.S.).

102,400 metres. First heat—Hosgood (C.B.S.), Kan Wah-tuan (D.B.S.) Second heat—J. Woo (St. Joseph's), F. Chan (Wah Yan) Hong Yook-see (Third heat—Telok Singh (Queen's), W. Gegg (C.B.S.).

204,800 metres. First heat—Hosgood (C.B.S.), Kan Wah-tuan (D.B.S.) Second heat—J. Woo (St. Joseph's), F. Chan (Wah Yan) Hong Yook-see (Third heat—Telok Singh (Queen's), W. Gegg (C.B.S.).

409,600 metres. First heat—Hosgood (C.B.S.), Kan Wah-tuan (D.B.S.) Second heat—J. Woo (St. Joseph's), F. Chan (Wah Yan) Hong Yook-see (Third heat—Telok Singh (Queen's), W. Gegg (C.B.S.).

819,200 metres. First heat—Hosgood (C.B.S.), Kan Wah-tuan (D.B.S.) Second heat—J. Woo (St. Joseph's), F. Chan (Wah Yan) Hong Yook-see (Third heat—Telok Singh (Queen's), W. Gegg (C.B.S.).

1,638,400 metres. First heat—Hosgood (C.B.S.), Kan Wah-tuan (D.B.S.) Second heat—J. Woo (St. Joseph's), F. Chan (Wah Yan) Hong Yook-see (Third heat—Telok Singh (Queen's), W. Gegg (C.B.S.).

3,276,800 metres. First heat—Hosgood (C.B.S.), Kan Wah-tuan (D.B.S.) Second heat—J. Woo (St. Joseph's), F. Chan (Wah Yan) Hong Yook-see (Third heat—Telok Singh (Queen's), W. Gegg (C.B.S.).

6,553,600 metres. First heat—Hosgood (C.B.S.), Kan Wah-tuan (D.B.S.) Second heat—J. Woo (St. Joseph's), F. Chan (Wah Yan) Hong Yook-see (Third heat—Telok Singh (Queen's), W. Gegg (C.B.S.).

13,107,200 metres. First heat—Hosgood (C.B.S.), Kan Wah-tuan (D.B.S.) Second heat—J. Woo (St. Joseph's), F. Chan (Wah Yan) Hong Yook-see (Third heat—Telok Singh (Queen's), W. Gegg (C.B.S.).

26,214,400 metres. First heat—Hosgood (C.B.S.), Kan Wah-tuan (D.B.S.) Second heat—J. Woo (St. Joseph's), F. Chan (Wah Yan) Hong Yook-see (Third heat—Telok Singh (Queen's), W. Gegg (C.B.S.).

52,428,800 metres. First heat—Hosgood (C.B.S.), Kan Wah-tuan (D.B.S.) Second heat—J. Woo (St. Joseph's), F. Chan (Wah Yan) Hong Yook-see (Third heat—Telok Singh (Queen's), W. Gegg (C.B.S.).

104,857,600 metres. First heat—Hosgood (C.B.S.), Kan Wah-tuan (D.B.S.) Second heat—J. Woo (St. Joseph's), F. Chan (Wah Yan) Hong Yook-see (Third heat—Telok Singh (Queen's), W. Gegg (C.B.S.).

209,715,200 metres. First heat—Hosgood (C.B.S.), Kan Wah-tuan (D.B.S.) Second heat—J. Woo (St. Joseph's), F. Chan (Wah Yan) Hong Yook-see (Third heat—Telok Singh (Queen's), W. Gegg (C.B.S.).

419,430,400 metres. First heat—Hosgood (C.B.S.), Kan Wah-tuan (D.B.S.) Second heat—J. Woo (St. Joseph's), F. Chan (Wah Yan) Hong Yook-see (Third heat—Telok Singh (Queen's), W. Gegg (C.B.S.).

838,860,800 metres. First heat—Hosgood (C.B.S.), Kan Wah-tuan (D.B.S.) Second heat—J. Woo (St. Joseph's), F. Chan (Wah Yan) Hong Yook-see (Third heat—Telok Singh (Queen's), W. Gegg (C.B.S.).

1,677,721,600 metres. First heat—Hosgood (C.B.S.), Kan Wah-tuan (D.B.S.) Second heat—J. Woo (St. Joseph's), F. Chan (Wah Yan) Hong Yook-see (Third heat—Telok Singh (Queen's), W. Gegg (C.B.S.).

3,355,443,200 metres. First heat—Hosgood (C.B.S.), Kan Wah-tuan (D.B.S.) Second heat—J. Woo (St. Joseph's), F. Chan (Wah Yan) Hong Yook-see (Third heat—Telok Singh (Queen's), W. Gegg (C.B.S.).

6,710,886,400 metres. First heat—Hosgood (C.B.S.), Kan Wah-tuan (D.B.S.) Second heat—J. Woo (St. Joseph's), F. Chan (Wah Yan) Hong Yook-see (Third heat—Telok Singh (Queen's), W. Gegg (C.B.S.).

13,421,772,800 metres. First heat—Hosgood (C.B.S.), Kan Wah-tuan (D.B.S.) Second heat—J. Woo (St. Joseph's), F. Chan (Wah Yan) Hong Yook-see (Third heat—Telok Singh (Queen's), W. Gegg (C.B.S.).

26,843,545,600 metres. First heat—Hosgood (C.B.S.), Kan Wah-tuan (D.B.S.) Second heat—J. Woo (St. Joseph's), F. Chan (Wah Yan) Hong Yook-see (Third heat—Telok Singh (Queen's), W. Gegg (C.B.S.).

53,687,091,200 metres. First heat—Hosgood (C.B.S.), Kan Wah-tuan (D.B.S.) Second heat—J. Woo (St. Joseph's), F. Chan (Wah Yan) Hong Yook-see (Third heat—Telok Singh (Queen's), W. Gegg (C.B.S.).

107,374,182,400 metres. First heat—Hosgood (C.B.S.), Kan Wah-tuan (D.B.S.) Second heat—J. Woo (St. Joseph's), F. Chan (Wah Yan) Hong Yook-see (Third heat—Telok Singh (Queen's), W. Gegg (C.B.S.).

214,748,364,800 metres. First heat—Hosgood (C.B.S.), Kan Wah-tuan (D.B.S.) Second heat—J. Woo (St. Joseph's), F. Chan (Wah Yan) Hong Yook-see (Third heat—Telok Singh (Queen's), W. Gegg (C.B.S.).

429,496,729,600 metres. First heat—Hosgood (C.B.S.), Kan Wah-tuan (D.B.S.) Second heat—J. Woo (St. Joseph's), F. Chan (Wah Yan) Hong Yook-see (Third heat—Telok Singh (Queen's), W. Gegg (C.B.S.).

858,993,459,200 metres. First heat—Hosgood (C.B.S.), Kan Wah-tuan (D.B.S.) Second heat—J. Woo (St. Joseph's), F. Chan (Wah Yan) Hong Yook-see (Third heat—Telok Singh (Queen's), W. Gegg (C.B.S.).

1,717,986,918,400 metres. First heat—Hosgood (C.B.S.), Kan Wah-tuan (D.B.S.) Second heat—J. Woo (St. Joseph's), F. Chan (Wah Yan) Hong Yook-see (Third heat—Telok Singh (Queen's), W. Gegg (C.B.S.).

3,435,973,836,800 metres. First heat—Hosgood (C.B.S.), Kan Wah-tuan (D.B.S.) Second heat—J. Woo (St. Joseph's), F. Chan (Wah Yan) Hong Yook-see (Third heat—Telok Singh (Queen's), W. Gegg (C.B.S.).

6,871,947,673,600 metres. First heat—Hosgood (C.B.S.), Kan Wah-tuan (D.B.S.) Second heat—J. Woo (St. Joseph's), F. Chan (Wah Yan) Hong Yook-see (Third heat—Telok Singh (Queen's), W. Gegg (C.B.S.).

13,743,895,347,200 metres. First heat—Hosgood (C.B.S.), Kan Wah-tuan (D.B.S.) Second heat—J. Woo (St. Joseph's), F. Chan (Wah Yan) Hong Yook-see (Third heat—Telok Singh (Queen's), W. Gegg (C.B.S.).

27,487,790,694,400 metres. First heat—Hosgood (C.B.S.), Kan Wah-tuan (D.B.S.) Second heat—J. Woo (St. Joseph's), F. Chan (Wah Yan) Hong Yook-see (Third heat—Telok Singh (Queen's), W. Gegg (C.B.S.).

54,975,581,388,800 metres. First heat—Hosgood (C.B.S.), Kan Wah-tuan (D.B.S.) Second heat—J. Woo (St. Joseph's), F. Chan (Wah Yan) Hong Yook-see (Third heat—Telok Singh (Queen's), W. Gegg (C.B.S.).

109,951,162,777,600 metres. First heat—Hosgood (C.B.S.), Kan Wah-tuan (D.B.S.) Second heat—J. Woo (St. Joseph's), F. Chan (Wah Yan) Hong Yook-see (Third heat—Telok Singh (Queen's), W. Gegg (C.B.S.).

219,902,325,555,200 metres. First heat—Hosgood (C.B.S.), Kan Wah-tuan (D.B.S.) Second heat—J. Woo (St. Joseph's), F. Chan (Wah Yan) Hong Yook-see (Third heat—Telok Singh (Queen's), W. Gegg (C.B.S.).

439,804,651,110,400 metres. First heat—Hosgood (C.B.S.), Kan Wah-tuan (D.B.S.) Second heat—J. Woo (St. Joseph's), F. Chan (Wah Yan) Hong Yook-see (Third heat—Telok Singh (Queen's), W. Gegg (C.B.S.).

879,609,302,220,800 metres. First heat—Hosgood (C.B.S.), Kan Wah-tuan (D.B.S.) Second heat—J. Woo (St. Joseph's), F. Chan (Wah Yan) Hong Yook-see (Third heat—Telok Singh (Queen's), W. Gegg (C.B.S.).

1,759,218,604,441,600 metres. First heat—Hosgood (C.B.S.), Kan Wah-tuan (D.B.S.) Second heat—J. Woo (St. Joseph's), F. Chan (Wah Yan) Hong Yook-see (Third heat—Telok Singh (Queen's), W. Gegg (C.B.S.).

3,518,437,208,883,200 metres. First heat—Hosgood (C.B.S.), Kan Wah-tuan (D.B.S.) Second heat—J. Woo (St. Joseph's), F. Chan (Wah Yan) Hong Yook-see (Third heat—Telok Singh (Queen's), W. Gegg (C.B.S.).

7,036,874,417,766,400 metres. First heat—Hosgood (C.B.S.), Kan Wah-tuan (D.B.S.) Second heat—J. Woo (St. Joseph's), F. Chan (Wah Yan) Hong Yook-see (Third heat—Telok Singh (Queen's), W. Gegg (C.B.S.).

14,073,748,835,532,800 metres. First heat—Hosgood (C.B.S.), Kan Wah-tuan (D.B.S.) Second heat—J. Woo (St. Joseph's), F. Chan (Wah Yan) Hong Yook-see (Third heat—Telok Singh (Queen's), W. Gegg (C.B.S.).

28,147,497,671,065,600 metres. First heat—Hosgood (C.B.S.), Kan Wah-tuan (D.B.S.) Second heat—J. Woo (St. Joseph's), F. Chan (Wah Yan) Hong Yook-see (Third heat—Telok Singh (Queen's), W. Gegg (C.B.S.).

56,294,995,342,131,200 metres. First heat—Hosgood (C.B.S.), Kan Wah-tuan (D.B.S.) Second heat—J. Woo (St. Joseph's), F. Chan (Wah Yan) Hong Yook-see (Third heat—Telok Singh (Queen's), W. Gegg (C.B.S.).

112,589,990,684,262,400 metres. First heat—Hosgood (C.B.S.), Kan Wah-tuan (D.B.S.) Second heat—J. Woo (St. Joseph's), F. Chan (Wah Yan) Hong Yook-see (Third heat—Telok Singh (Queen's), W. Gegg (C.B.S.).

225,179,981,368,524,800 metres. First heat—Hosgood (C.B.S.), Kan Wah-tuan (D.B.S.) Second heat—J. Woo (St. Joseph's), F. Chan (Wah Yan) Hong Yook-see (Third heat—Telok Singh (Queen's), W. Gegg (C.B.S.).

450,359,962,737,049,600 metres. First heat—Hosgood (C.B.S.), Kan Wah-tuan (D.B.S.) Second heat—J. Woo (St. Joseph's), F. Chan (Wah Yan) Hong Yook-see (Third heat—Telok Singh (Queen's), W. Gegg (C.B.S.).



Yes, sir, it's none other than Joo Penner all bedecked in a uniform with military epaulettes, a cap with a pom-pom, and musical instruments galore. He is pictured here as he appears in scenes of the RKO Radio picture, "The Life of the Party" which is coming to Hongkong shortly.

## STOCK MARKET REPORT

The Hongkong Stock Exchange official summary, issued at 3.15 p.m. yesterday, says: The market was quiet and featureless.

Buyers	Sellers
Bank of East Asia \$20	Union Insurance \$20
China Underwriters \$2	H.K. Steamboat \$10
Providents (Old) \$15.50	H.K. Lands 4% deb. \$100
China Estates \$77	H.K. Tramways \$15.50
Peak Tram (Old) \$7	Star Ferries \$45
China Lights \$14.15	China Light \$12.15
Sandakan Lights \$14	Telephones (New) \$10
Consolidated \$17	Sincere \$2.20
H.K. Power, Ltd. \$9.00	Construction \$12
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% Loan 2 1/2 p.m.	Wallace Harpers \$15
Nansam \$14.50	Sellers
H.K. Tramways \$15.50	Hongkong Bank \$11.25
Union Insurance \$20	Providents (Old) \$15.50
Providents (Old) \$15.50	H.K. Lands \$35
H.K. Lands \$35	H.K. Tramways \$15.50
China Light \$12.15	China Light \$12.15
H.K. Electricity \$30	Watsons \$27.50
Ewo Cottons \$15.00 (Sales to Shanghai)	H.K. & W. Doon X Rts. X div. \$21.50
Antamox \$5.21	Atoko \$5.21
Banco Gold 20	Hengui Coal 9.40
Coco Grove 46	Consolidated Mines 611
Demonstrations 34	I. X. L. 60
Paracels Gums 20	San Maurizio 42 1/2
Suyce Consol 15 1/2	United Paracels 41

## HOCKEY TRIAL GAME

Women's Team To Meet Caer Clark Champions

To select a team to meet the champions of the Caer Clark Cup League, the "Y" Ladies, next Saturday afternoon, a trial was held among the senior "Rest" players on the Central British Association ground yesterday. The game ended in a goal-less draw.

Outstanding for the Whites were G. White, I. Woolley, B. Pope, and J. Wong. For the Colours E. Best and H. Reid gave creditable performances. The following team was selected

at the conclusion of the game: Mrs. Lunson (H.K.L.); G. White (Saints); B. Parsons (C.B.A.); I. Woolley (C.B.A.); B. Pope (H.K.L.); J. Wong (Saints); F. Wong (Saints); M. Smalley (H.K.L.); M. White (C.B.A.); P. Gittens (Saints); D. Hunt (C.B.A.); Reservoir, P. Everet (C.B.A.); H. Reid (Saints); F. Best (C.B.A.); E. Churn (Saints).

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## Table Tennis Gossip

## Champions In World Demand

By A. A. Hayden

London, Feb. 24.

Globe trotting is usually attributed to lawn-tennis players, but here is an instance that table tennis has also assumed world-wide proportions. Lazo Belak (Hungary), now touring England with an exhibition troupe, leaves for the U.S.A. next month to defend his American title at Philadelphia on March 24-26.

He will be joined later by Victor Barina, and the two will then proceed to Australia, where they are to display their prowess. Table tennis "fans" "down under" had their first taste of our sport as it should be played by Fred Perry a few years back. He was followed last year by Kelen and Szabados, and now the craze is spreading throughout the country. (Kelen and Szabados were in Hongkong recently).

The Egyptians, too, are very keen and have invited Bergman to Cairo, where the World Champions are to be held next year for five months in order to coach their players.

Visitors to the Sports Section of the B.I.F. have the opportunity of seeing four English internationals in action during



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1 THESE are the scenes (writes a "Daily Herald" photographer) that my camera saw in Downing Street during the crisis. At 9 a.m. a solitary policeman stood on guard.



2 Then the first sightseers arrived. They saw—



3 —MESSENGERS arriving and departing with despatch boxes and letters.



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7 As Ministers arrived the amateur photographers were hard at work. The policeman, obligingly, stood to one side.



8 Mounted police keep the crowd moving. (Photograph No. 10 in the Camera's Eye series.)

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## HALIFAX OUTLINES FOREIGN POLICY

### Conciliation Abroad, Liberty At Home

London, Mar. 20.

The principles on which he would seek to see British policy based were defined by Lord Halifax, Foreign Secretary, when replying to the debate on foreign policy in the House of Lords to-day. The principles are as follows:

"We must preserve our own democratic institutions, individual rights and liberties, seek to uphold our beliefs abroad, prevent a division of Europe into rival camps, and use our good offices to promote conciliation."

Viscount Halifax added: "We shall be judged abroad, not by our policy or government, but by ourselves. If, as a nation, we can convince others of our moral and material strength, our policy will succeed. If not, no policy, however skilfully devised, will bring salvation."

Earlier in his speech, Viscount Halifax declared that the Government would continue to use all its influence to see that the policy of non-intervention in Spain was adhered to during and—what was not less important—after the civil war. —Reuter.

## STOP PRESS

### SEVERAL POINTS AROUND LINI RECAPTURED

Lini, Shantung, March 20.

Several points on the Lini front were recaptured by the Chinese forces in a desperate battle yesterday morning. These included Sankwanling, Hsinshanchang and Huochiachuan. Eight Japanese light machine-guns and 60 rifles were taken during the fight. —Central News.

## JAPANESE RETREATING

Hsuehchow, March 20.

According to a telephone message from the south-east Shantung front late last night the Japanese troops attacking Talerchwang were routed yesterday and were retreating northward. Four Japanese tanks were seized by the Chinese.

The Chinese forces were hotly pursuing them last night.

A Japanese unit of about 1,000 is besieged by the Chinese at a point near Talerchwang and may be annihilated. —Central News.

## WESTERN METHODS SAFEST

### Dr. S. N. Chau Asks Questions At Urban Council Epidemic War Described

The Urban Council yesterday heard interesting answers to the questions of Dr. S. N. Chau concerning the methods taken in Hongkong to combat smallpox. It was shown, the chairman said, that western methods of treatment were far superior to the old Chinese remedies, where this disease is concerned.

Pursuant to notice, the following questions were put by Dr. Chau:

- (1) What is the possible source of the outbreak of the present epidemic?
- (2) If this is known, what steps are being taken or are proposed to prevent its recurrence in the future?
- (3) What are the existing arrangements for the accommodation and treatment of smallpox cases?
- (4) Is the practice still prevalent of permitting smallpox patients to choose Chinese herbal methods of treatment if they so desire?
- (5) In view of the conception among the masses that Chinese herbal methods of treatment are superior to Western methods, will the Chairman, from the information available, inform the Council, statistically over a number of years, the results by comparison of the two methods of treatment?
- (6) The general impression exists that the public is not co-operating fully with the authorities in the suppression of this disease. On the other hand, among the masses, there is a feeling of grievance against objections and obstacles which render co-operation with the authorities difficult or impossible.

### DAMAGE ALLEGED

Some of these objections are stated to be:

- (a) The methods of fumigation of houses—whereby coolies, indiscriminately and without regard to the feelings of the owners, carry out their work carelessly and wilfully destroy property.
- (b) The denial of permission for relatives to visit smallpox patients, once these patients are in hospital.
- (c) The absence of facilities for enquiring by Chinese relatives regarding the condition of patients admitted into the Isolation Hospital; it is alleged that, in some cases, relatives only are permitted to see the patients again at the Mortuary. As removal of these and similar objections and obstacles will result in closer co-operation between the public and the authorities will the Chairman state:

What measures will be taken to remove or remedy the above? If steps or arrangements have been or are intended to be made, will the Government give full publicity to such arrangements for the information of the public?

(7) In view of recent complaints in some quarters (reported in the papers) that the supply of lymph to various vaccination centres is insufficient, and in other quarters that there has been gross wastage of lymph, will the Chairman state:—

- (a) Whether public organisations seeking to co-operate with the Government in the Vaccination Campaign have been fully supplied with their requirements?
- (b) Whether, in view of the counter charge of wastage, it is possible to state what should be the amount of lymph given to each individual?

The replies were delivered by the Chairman who said he was indebted to the Hon. Director of Medical Services for them.

### THE REPLIES

The Chairman said:

(1) Smallpox probably endemic in Hongkong under present conditions as it is in South China. There can be little doubt that the influx of vast numbers of refugees as the result of the Sino-Japanese incident has contributed to the severity of the present outbreak.

(2) A Health Officer has been specially detailed as H. O. in charge of Anti-Smallpox campaign to co-ordinate the disease to co-operate with the St. John Ambulance Brigade in a vaccination campaign, to carry out a publicity campaign aimed at encouraging the general public to secure the protection which vaccination affords, to prevent the use of bad vaccine lymph, etc. etc.

A scheme for the medical inspection of all immigrants arriving by train and by river and coastal steamers from areas known to be the seat of smallpox epidemics is under consideration and it is hoped that it will meet with the approval of Government.

(3) Patients suffering from smallpox are admitted for treatment to the Kennedy Town Infectious Diseases Hospital. This building, together with a pavilion and marquees provides accommodation for 125 persons. Three additional huts each capable of holding fifteen persons will shortly be erected in the grounds of the Hospital.

The Medical Authorities are satisfied that a new Infectious Diseases Hospital is under consideration and will be a great improvement on the present arrangements.

(4) Yes. The Director of the St. John Ambulance Brigade, the instance has been referred to the Chairman with the present supply of lymph.

(5) A special vaccine is being prepared by the Government and will be available to all who desire it.

## JAPANESE THREATEN BRITISH OFFICERS

### Strong Protest Delivered

Shanghai, Mar. 20.

The British military authorities to-day delivered a strong protest to Gen. Hata, Japanese Commander-in-Chief in Central China, against the behaviour of the Japanese military and police generally in the past few days.

In particular they protested against two incidents yesterday, one of which a Japanese officer, dressed in Chinese clothes, threatened Major-General, commander of the Durham Light Infantry, pointing a revolver at his stomach when the British stopped a lorry.

In the other the Japanese military police threatened British officers and sentries with fire arms, when they were twice prevented from entering the British defence sector.

British soldiers have been informed that in future they may take suitable action in their own defence in the event of their being struck or threatened by Japanese troops or military police.

### CHAMBER'S PROTEST

The British Chamber of Commerce has drawn up a detailed report on the recent continued incidents by Japanese sentries against British subjects. The transmission of this report to the Japanese authorities is now being considered by the British Consul-General.

The report reveals among other incidents the attack on the York-shireman, Mr. Oates, who was much more seriously injured than was at first announced. He received two slashes in his mackintosh, a Japanese seamy's bayonet thrusts and was slapped in the face by the sentry.

Two shots were alleged to have been fired in the air by the sentry. Both pierced the windscreen of Mr. Oates's car. —Reuter.

## DO-18 LANDS 450 MILES FROM RIO

Rio de Janeiro, Mar. 20.

The German flying boat, the DO-18, landed at Caravel, 450 miles north-east of Rio de Janeiro. It is presumed the machine's fuel had run low. —United Press.

The DO-18 was catapulted from the deck of a freighter in the English Channel for a non-stop flight to Brazil.

### WESTERN METHODS BEST

(5) An analysis of the statistics over a period of 25 years shows that cases of smallpox treated by western methods have a threefold chance of survival over those treated by Chinese herbal methods. The actual figures are 47.2 deaths per hundred cases treated by Chinese herbal methods as against 15.25 in those treated by western methods.

(6) Non-Asiatics and the educated members of the Chinese community in Hongkong are co-operating fully with the Medical and Health Authorities. Sections of the public and uneducated classes still fail to assist, possibly through ignorance.

With regard to the grievances:

(a) Infected premises are disinfected with a coal tar disinfectant fluid and blankets and clothing are removed to the disinfecting stations and steam-disinfected. Owing to the nature of the work it is only possible to recruit a low class of coolie and it is a matter of regret to the Medical and Health Authorities that some rough usage of property may occur. This difficulty could be overcome to some extent by employing a better type of coolie at a higher wage and by increasing the European Inspectorate staff. In the meantime a notice has been inserted in the Press asking persons who may suffer at the hands of the disinfecting squads to report the matter immediately to the Health Authorities for investigation and punishment of the offender.


(b) Owing to the dangerous nature of the disease and to the ease with which infection may be carried, it would be against public interest to allow visitors into the smallpox wards.

(c) Far from there being an absence of facilities for enquiries by relatives regarding the condition of patients, a great deal of time is devoted every day by the staff of the Hospital to answering enquiries by telephone and at the doors of the Hospital. The Medical Officer in charge of Infectious Diseases Hospital, has gone out of his way to improve such facilities.

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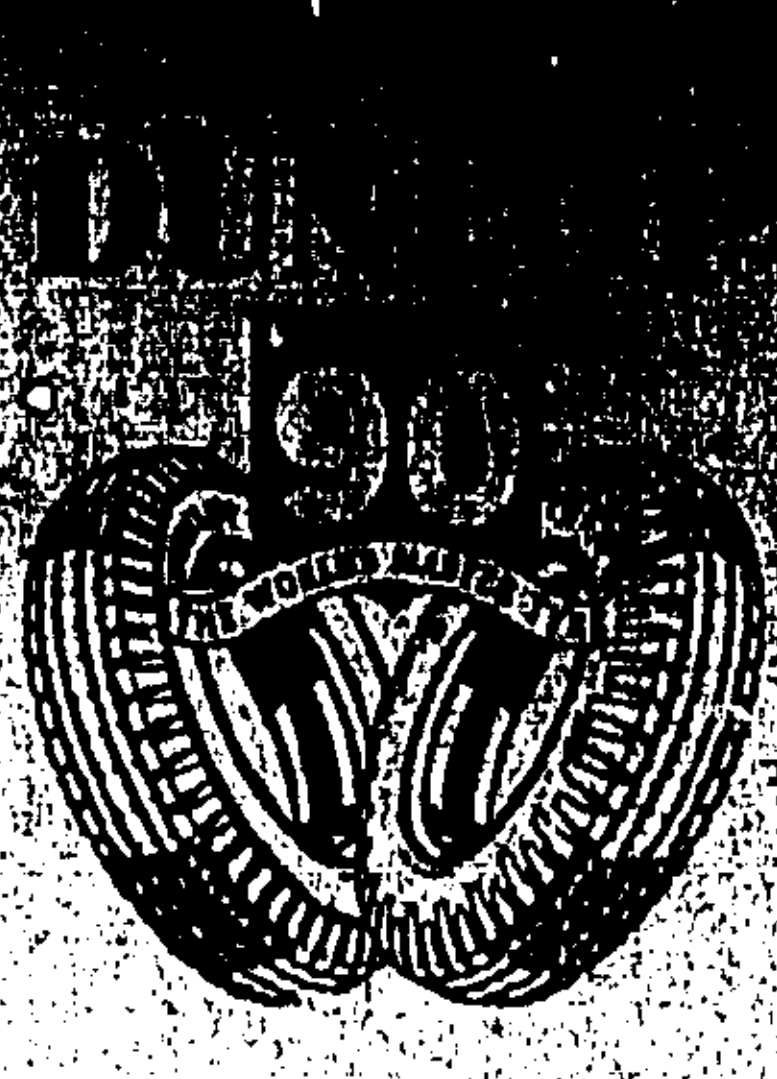
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### Reinforcements Rush To Threatened Spot

(Special to "Telegraph")

Hankow, Mar. 30.

Five thousand Japanese troops have been surrounded by overwhelmingly strong Chinese forces at Taierchwang, 20 miles east of Hanchwang.

"They will be wiped out soon," says a Chinese military despatch from this area.

It is known that the Japanese military authorities are rushing reinforcements to Taierchwang from the Linyi sector, but it is doubtful if they will reach there in time to prevent a massacre.

Chinese reinforcements are also rushing up. —United Press.

#### Reinforcements Rushed

Peking, Mar. 30. Japanese reinforcements are rushing from North China to the Shantung front, where the position of the Japanese troops is undoubtedly serious.

This is indicated by the reluctance of the Japanese military authorities here, who decline to give any details of the fighting.

It is believed the Chinese have made substantial advances on the Tientsin-Pukow railway front, inflicting heavy casualties on the Japanese. —Reuter.

#### Chinese Air Force In Hot Actions

Hankow, Mar. 30. General Chen Cheng, right-hand man of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, said yesterday that the Chinese air force played a prominent part in the Tientsin-Pukow railway counter-offensive. They had taken part in several dog-fights, shooting down a number of Japanese bombers during the past few days. —United Press.

#### Italians Not With Japan Air Force

Hankow, Mar. 30. The Counselor at the Italian Embassy issued a statement yesterday denying rumours that Italian aviators and mechanics were joining the Japanese forces. —Reuter.

#### Exchange Of Blows

Hankow, Mar. 30. A Chinese communiqué states that Japanese forces, numbering 4,000, (Continued on Page 4.)

## STOP PRESS

#### SIGNING CREW TO BRING SHIP FROM AUSTRALIA

A Chinese crew is being signed on in Hongkong for the purpose of proceeding to Australia to bring back the steamer Ashbridge which, it is understood, has been purchased by Mr. S. T. Williamson.

The Ashbridge, which is well known on the Australian coast, is a 2,854 ton freighter owned by Messrs. McIlwraith, McEachern Ltd., Melbourne. It was built in 1905 at the Hamilton Yards in Port Glasgow.

(Further Stop Press News on Page 17.)

## German Genius Allegedly Guides Insurgents

### KWANGSI GENERAL OUTLINES POSITION

Japanese Army In Precarious Spot In Shantung

Hsuechow, Mar. 30.

The Japanese troops operating along the Lincheng-Tsaochwang-Taierchwang branch railway, comprising one and half divisions, are in a precarious position and may be encircled and annihilated by the Chinese at any time, declared General L. Chung-jen, commanding the Chinese forces on the Shantung front, in an interview with a group of foreign correspondents yesterday.

Hemmed in by the Grand Canal and the Weishan Lake the Japanese troops have only a small triangular piece of land for operations, where they can hardly use their mechanized equipment with effectiveness. The railway track between Tawenkow and Lincheng is severely damaged and the Japanese communications cut. As a result, they are experiencing great difficulties in military transport, General Li asserted.

On the Yinyi front, General Li revealed, the Japanese troops have started a counter-offensive after their recent reverses. Fighting is raging on both banks of the Yi River in south-east Shantung. The Japanese columns on this front attempted to assist the advance of their troops on the Lincheng-Tsaochwang-Taierchwang branch railway but with the Chinese forces successfully intercepting them they have so far failed in their attempt.

On the left flank of the railway in west Shantung the Chinese forces are launching an enveloping attack on Tsining and Kaisiang. Several Chinese units have crossed the Grand Canal to launch a flanking movement on the Japanese troops operating on the Tientsin-Pukow Railway.

Both Lincheng and Tsining, according to General Li, were captured by the Chinese forces on March 27, but street fighting took place in both towns as a result of a Japanese counter-attack yesterday.

Turning to the situation on the south sector of the Tientsin-Pukow Railway front, General Li stated that the Chinese regular troops, supported by guerrillas, are actively engaged. —Central News.

### CHINESE AIRMEN HIT BACK

Japanese Troop Train Bombed

Chengchow, Mar. 30.

It has now been ascertained that over 200 Japanese soldiers were either killed or wounded, and a locomotive and four wagons were damaged on March 23 when a squadron of Chinese planes staged a surprise raid on Chintso, a mining town on the western section of the Taokou-Chinghua Railway in north Honan.

The Japanese troop train was stopped at the railway station as a result of damage done to the track by Chinese guerrillas. The Chinese machines suddenly swooped down and released their bombs.

Highways running between Chiao-tao and the neighbouring towns have been severely damaged by Chinese guerrillas. —Central News.

### WARSAW BANS ZOLA FILM

Warsaw, Mar. 30. The Ministry of Culture has issued a decree banning the film "Zola" from the theatres of the city. The film, which is a dramatization of the life of the famous French novelist, is considered to be "immoral and indecent." —United Press.

#### KEY CABINET MEN



**FRIEND OF REICH**—Edward Frederick Lindley Wood, third Viscount Halifax, right, named to fill temporarily the British Foreign Secretaryship resigned by Mr. Anthony Eden. Known as a friend of Germany, he carried Prime Minister Chamberlain's overtures to Chancellor Hitler, recently, and is shown above as he bid adieu to Ambassador Ribbentrop, when the latter left London to become German Foreign Minister.

## HALIFAX STRONGLY DEFENDS BRITAIN'S FOREIGN POLICY

London, Mar. 29.

The House of Lords debated to-night the statement by the Foreign Secretary of last Thursday which was in identical terms with that of the Prime Minister in the House of the Commons. The Opposition Leader, Lord Snell, said they believed peace was the reward of right and clear thinking. The Government appeared to live from day to day by political accommodation for the hour, without any long-range policy. No one could say the Government was committed to any immediate policy for political, economic, or territorial appeasement. Unless they had a policy which was creative, accommodating, and readjusting, the country would not escape the dangers which threatened ahead.

Lord Snell said the Labour Party was anxious to do its share to help the Government in a time of crisis, but they wanted to know where they were going, and he declined to promise their co-operation until they knew that. He asked the Government to take strong and continued action to rebuild the League of Nations. The Government would then not only have a united nation behind it, but the support of the whole civilised world.

#### END OF COLLECTIVE SECURITY

The Archbishop of Canterbury thought it was easy to "rebuild the League" but they could not rebuild on broken foundations. He had most reluctantly come to the conclusion that collective security was impossible. The suggestion that the Government should call a conference of countries sharing its policy would create the danger of rival alliances, and prejudice the chances of success in establishing better relations with Germany and Italy.

Lord Cecil found the Government's declaration inadequate to meet the situation, and complained it had no constructive policy with regard to the League of Nations except the policy of despair.

Lord Samuel thought the Government ought not to accept armed peace opportunities, which involved the expenditure of a million pounds daily with the prospect of an increase as a permanent policy, although they might regard it as the only one possible at the moment, and he urged, when the present acute problems had been solved, that it would be the duty of the British people to insist on the policy of collective security. —United Press.

### Convict - Miners At Large, Armed With Dynamite

Petros, Tenn., Mar. 28.

Seven convicts among those who escaped yesterday while carrying out mining operations, are still free. They are carrying stocks of dynamite stolen from the auxiliary store of the mine. Some of the convicts who were found to be armed with dynamite, but they did not charge it when they were surprised by a posse of wardens. —United Press.

## U.S. SEEKS PEACEFUL SOLUTION

Mexico City, Mar. 29.

It is announced that the United States has issued a "democratic" ultimatum to Mexico, following a telephone conversation with Mr. Cordell Hull, Mr. Joseph Daniels, U.S. Ambassador to Mexico, conferred with General Eduardo Hay, Mexican Foreign Minister.

Mr. Daniels said he expected to talk with General Hay again tonight and to-morrow. —United Press.

## VOLUNTEER RELATES STRANGE STORY ON RETURN TO BRITAIN

### Insurgents Still Outside Lerida, Despatches Show

London, Mar. 29.

The Daily Sketch to-day quoted a recently returned foreign Insurgent volunteer as saying that a German military genius was secretly guiding the current drive on Catalonia. He said that "General Franco is only a figurehead."

The man added that the genius was attached to the Berlin General Staff and had been lent to General Franco for the last three months. He was known only as "Capitano Hoffman," and in six weeks he mapped out the plans "which have now brought an overwhelming victory for General Franco." —United Press.

#### Still Outside Lerida

Mequinenza, Mar. 29.

Volunteers of smoke are visible 30 miles from Lerida, while three Insurgent columns are approaching the government headquarters there, says an Insurgent message. Thus the earlier reports that Lerida had fallen is corrected.

It is said that General Yague has arrived at Alcarraz, eight miles west of Lerida, and that apparently the Loyalists are setting fire to gasoline tanks. Meanwhile Insurgent planes have reported seeing white flags on the tops of hundreds of houses.

The southern Insurgent columns have occupied Sierra Aytona, six miles inside the Catalan frontier and have reached the hydro-electric plant in the Girona mountains near Valdebusca, which supplies the majority of power to the Loyalist war industries. —United Press.

## Father And Sons Killed In Tornado

Ferriday, La., Mar. 29.

A tornado hit the nearby Turtle Lake community to-day, causing considerable damage to property, and injuring nine people.

Hanson Ours, aged 38, and his two sons, Johnny aged 12, and Clifford aged 15, were killed by the hurricane. —United Press.

## 1,300 HAVE DIED FROM SMALLPOX

### Epidemic Centre Now In Kowloon

Although the number of cases of smallpox reported to the local health authorities last week showed a 50 per cent. drop compared with previous weeks, the number of deaths maintained a disturbingly high level.

One hundred and thirty-two cases were reported, and there were 131 deaths. Some of these deaths were of cases reported in the previous week, nevertheless, the mortality rate is the highest since the beginning of the epidemic, which has now claimed over 1,300 lives.

Of the 1,725 cases reported to date — further 20 were added to the total yesterday — only 405 have recovered, giving a mortality rate of almost 80 per cent.

Although smallpox is definitely decreasing in the residential area of Victoria, it is increasing in Kowloon and last week's cases and deaths are the second highest reported since the beginning of the epidemic.

This is how the cases have varied in the two districts in the past ten weeks:

NO. OF CASES OF SMALLPOX		
Week Ending	Kowloon	Vic.
January 22nd	5	23
January 29	15	97
February 5	12	83
February 12	12	144
February 19	18	171
February 26	49	119
March 5	39	133
March 12	47	150
March 19	94	124
March 26	58	68

In addition, last week's total included two cases in Shaokwan, two in Aberdeen, and one each in the New Territories and Harbour districts. There were also 22 cases of "bleeding" smallpox, of which 17 proved fatal. —United Press.

## South Africa Seeks New Territories

### Transfer Of Land From Crown Government Likely

London, Mar. 29.

The question of the transfer of three High Commission territories in South Africa from the Crown Government to the Union of South Africa has been advanced. It was stated to-day, with a parliamentary statement by Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, Secretary of State for the Dominions.

Mr. MacDonald said that while not opposing the Union's desire for the transfer, the United Kingdom pledged first to ascertain the wishes of the native inhabitants of the territory, namely, Bantoland, Bechuanaland and Swaziland.

The two governments were now agreed, however, that a Standing Joint Advisory Committee should be constituted, which would study opportunities for co-operation in matters of common interest.

This would enable the population to realise the terms on which any transfer to the Government would take place.

The Union Government would also prepare a memorandum showing the inhabitants the conditions under which the territories would be governed, and the benefits anticipated therefrom. —Reuter Special.

#### Proposed Transfer Details

London, Mar. 29.

Two developments in connection with South African High Commission territories were reported to-day. One in Bantoland and one each in Bechuanaland and Swaziland. —United Press.



# Slim While You Spring Clean

**1** Washing a floor: Knees joined, back extended, both arms right in front, hands flat on the ground, this girl is ready to walk on all fours. Nothing better for the muscles of your back, but don't forget to keep your waist absolutely hollow. Scrub and rub to music if you can, stretching your arms all out. Change arms now and then.

**2** Washing a window, looking down, or wall: Never have a basin on the floor. You will have to stoop every minute. Have the soap and water at the height of your hips (fixed on your ladder or on a stool). When rubbing the glass do arm extensions, like the sporty girl in the photograph. This is excellent for your chest muscles. Do wide, thorough, slow movements.

**3** Moving furniture: Leave the very heavy pieces of furniture for some one else to push out. Don't try to overdo it. But carry the light things (such as chairs, small tables, etc.) with both your hands. Walk well balanced on your feet, body and shoulders slightly thrown backwards. Do this first part on your tip toes.

Carrying these things is excellent for your bust, lungs and the muscles of your arms. Don't forget to breathe in and out, deeply and evenly.

**4** Turning out a cupboard: When you have any kind of work to do near the ground, don't begin by bending. Look at this girl. Heels together, well balanced on the tips of her toes, her body is erect.

**5** You have probably often seen pictures of native women of Africa or Polynesia. We European people always admire their stately carriage. Did you know that it is entirely due to the good development of their neck muscles? These dark women always carry everything on their heads.

Don't you admire the firm, beautiful neck and the broad chest of our young friend? It gives her a kind of graceful dignity. Imagine her carrying that heavy basin in her arms. She would look old and weary, and certainly would get exhausted very quickly.

**6** Cleaning the floor. Put a dance record on your gramophone and, following the music, rub your floor, first jumping on one foot, then on the other. Don't forget to change sides.

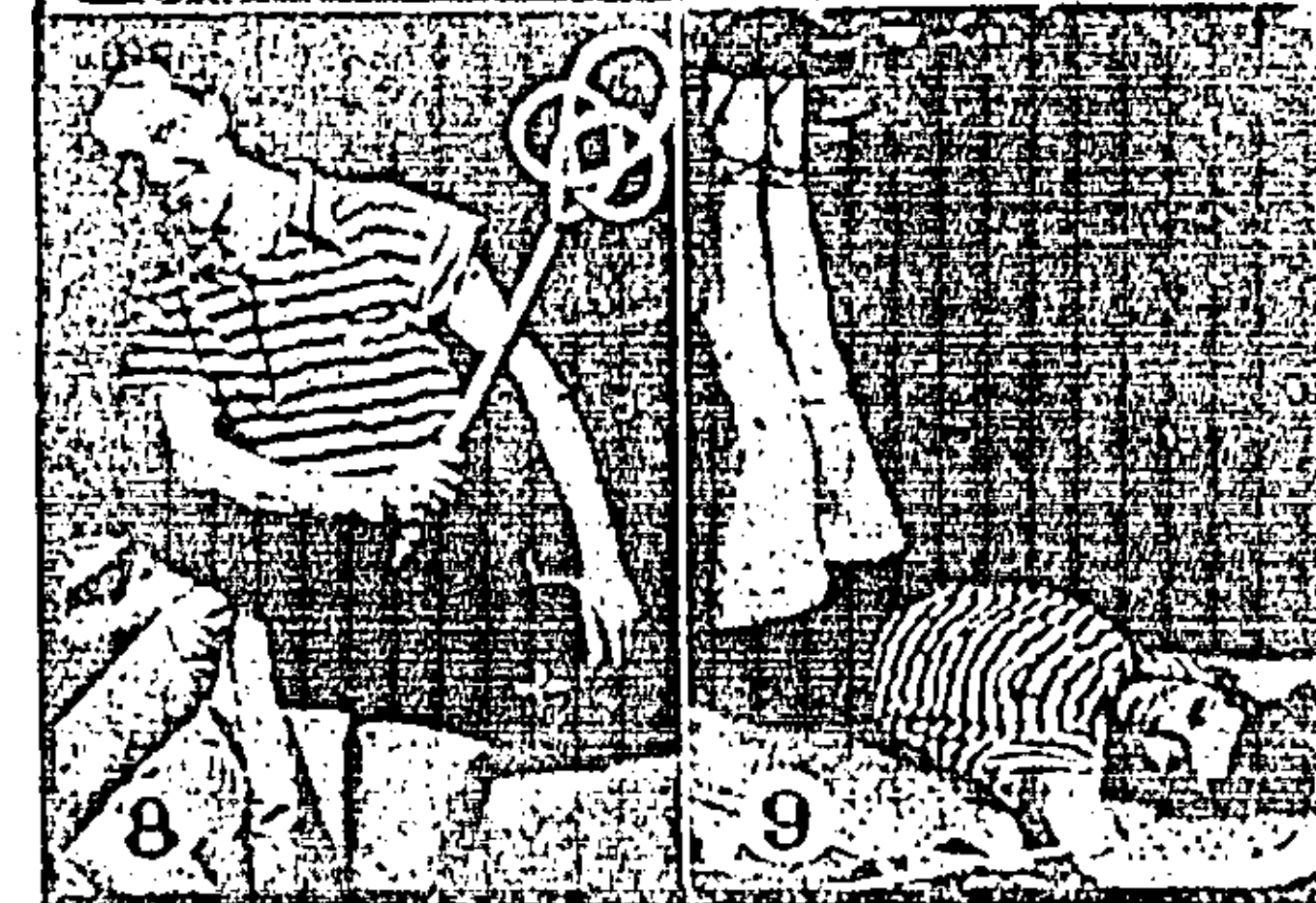
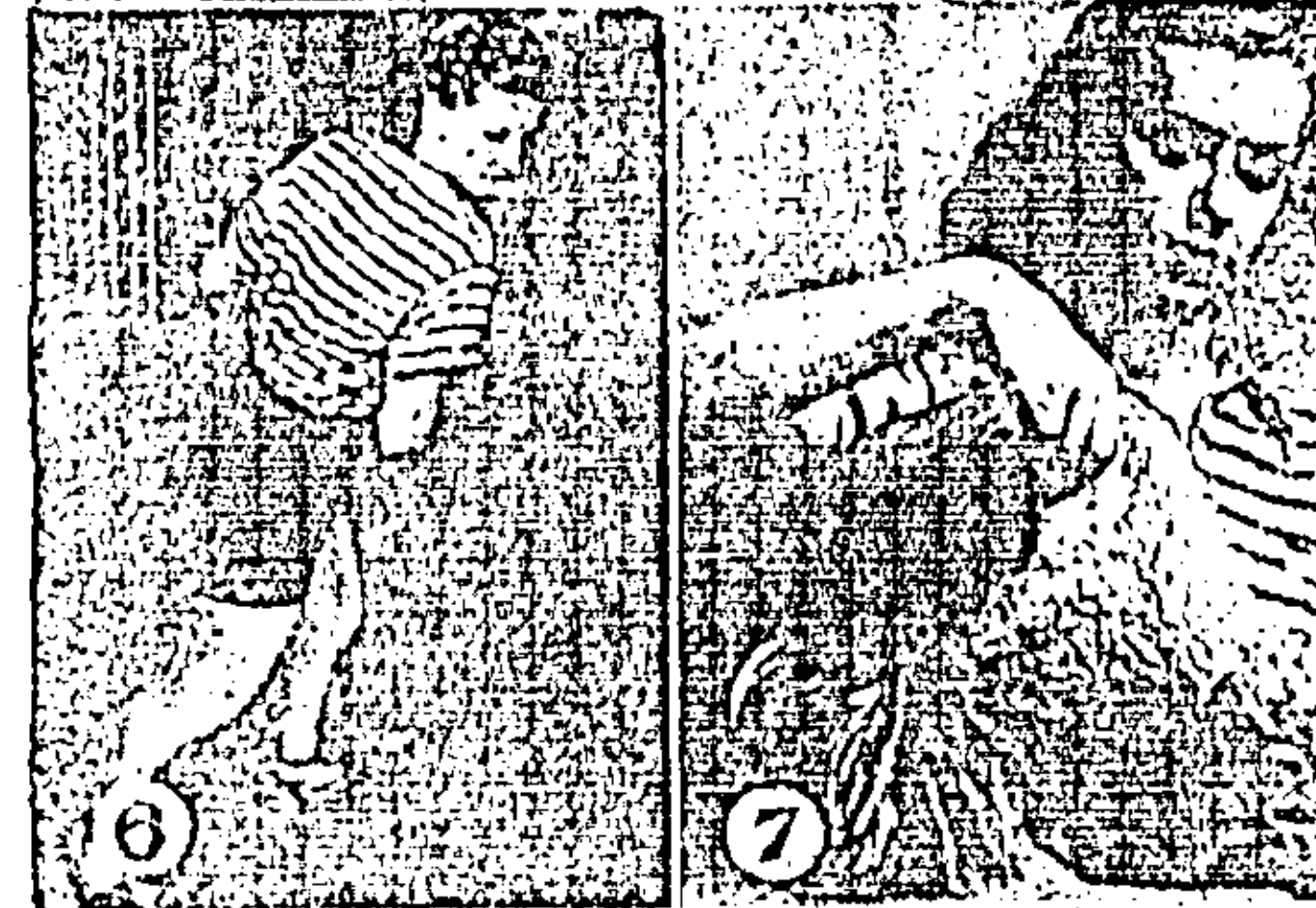
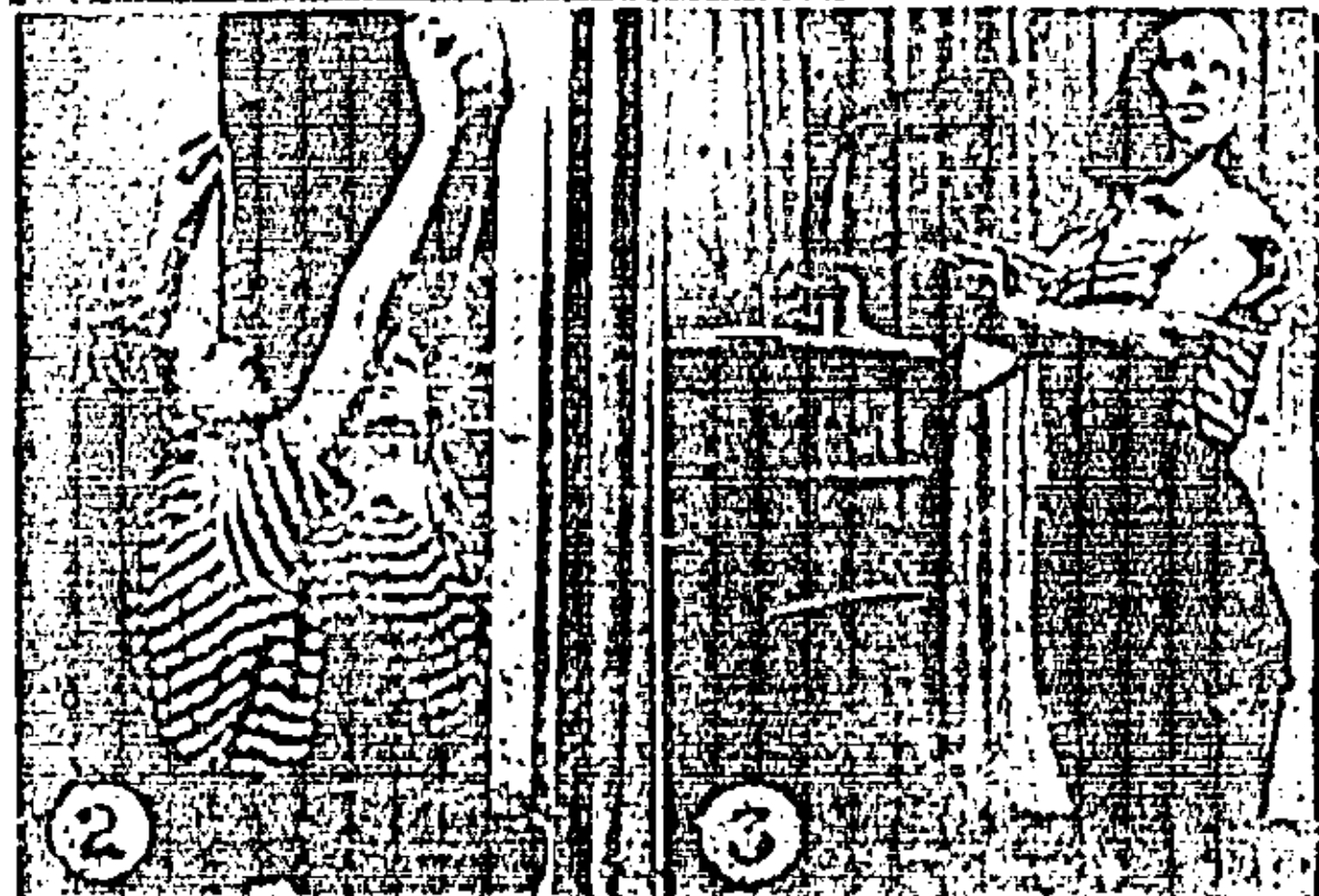
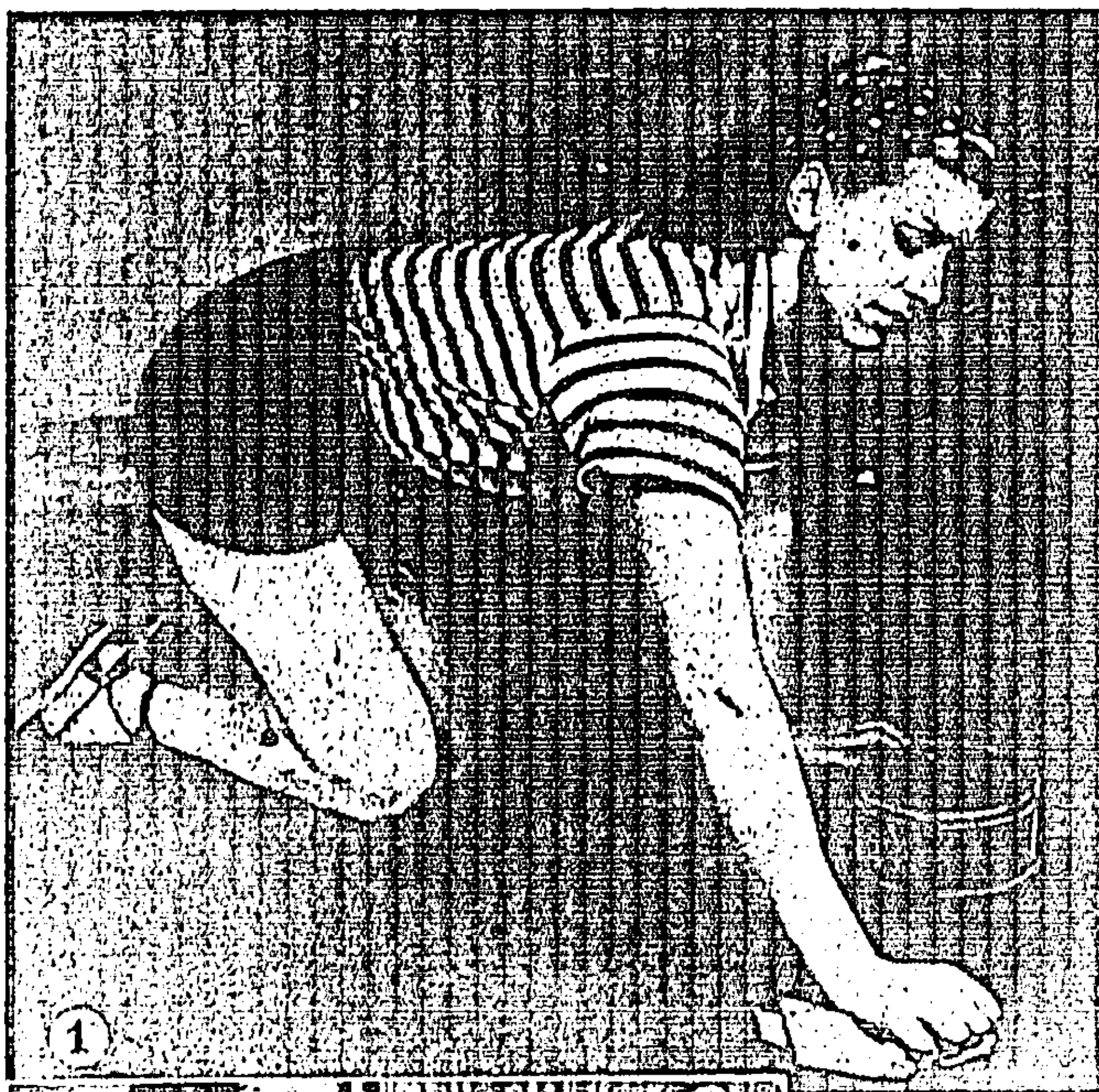
You will get the muscles of your thighs and ankles well developed and strong.

**7** With your feather broom, you can do excellent exercises for your wrists. Don't strain your arm, hold the handle easily and make little circles, brushing off the dust.

**8** Do you play tennis? Continue your training in your home, beating the dust out of your carpets and blankets as the girl does it in this picture. She is doing it with energy, enjoying hitting the blankets almost as much as if they were a ball.

**9** Now we have finished our cleaning—floor, windows, furniture, carpets, blankets, everything. Do you feel rather tired? Stretch out on the ground, shoulders absolutely flat on the floor.

Lift your legs for a few minutes, and rest them against a piece of furniture.



**MOST** of us hate cleaning our homes. But most of us have to do it. Well, there is a wrong way of doing it and a right one.

You must see that you not only beautify your home, but also your figure.

To begin with, don't undress to do it, but dress up in a particular style. Put on a bathing suit, or shorts, if you have a pair, and any light woolly jersey.

Wear a pair of sandals on your feet and tie your hair back with a wide ribbon—or, better still, cover it up entirely with a handkerchief.

And when you've finished for the day, go straight off and have a long, leisurely bath, with plenty of bath salts or lotion in it. Instead of feeling worn out and cross, you'll find you feel fit and well exercised.

## Showing off spring flowers

YOU can buy all sorts of spring flowers really cheaply now, and the way to make the best of them is to be lavish—spend the same money and get double the quantity.

Here's a good plan for arranging two large bunches of daffodils, narcissus, jonquils, or a mixture of all three.

Take two vases, one tall, one short, and put a bunch in each. Then stand them one behind the other. If your vases are both the same height, stand one on an inverted bulb bowl or a polished wooden box.

You'll like the sloping line that shows off your flowers so well, and you'll like having them in one luxurious mass—especially these spring flowers that naturally grow in masses in the woods and fields.

## Paris Hats

FOR smart afternoon wear, there are enormous hats in velvet or lace to match dresses. These have moderate, close-fitting crowns, but wide brims which swerve boldly off the face and down towards the sides.

Toques are having a good innings. Some of them are seen in wide bands of interlaced colours, some in the form of embroidery on felt or faulle in soutache designs. Most have a high point somewhere, or a quill or wing that stands up squarely in the air. On a black pointed hat, a quill, red as a stick of sealing wax, was twisted like a corkscrew in front, and looked very smart.

## Has winter been hard on your hair?

SPRING days call for new hats.

New hats call for new hair-dressing styles. New hair styles can't look their best unless your hair itself is in good glossy trim.

But, as you've probably noticed, winter has been hard on your hair. Fogs have taken the colour out of it. East winds have dried it. Three or four months of wearing a heavy felt hat have made it dull and lifeless.

For your hair, as much as yourself, needs sun and fresh air to keep fit.

While you are waiting for the sunny days to start, here are some ways of getting your hair into shape.

**FIRST**—as always—brush it. Good and hard night and morning. Don't be disturbed if you find it is coming out; it always does this time of year, and it is only the old, dead hairs which you lose. Then massage your scalp well with the tips of your fingers and a good spirit lotion. Rub in the lotion with firm, circular movements, which will get the circulation going.

Do this every night before you go to bed, and you will soon find that your hair is slicker, glossier.

If you can treat yourself to a little extra, a course of violet-ray treatment would give your hair a new start, in life; it will make up to it for all the sun and air it's missed.

**FOREHEADS** next. The snag to watch out for there is lines—frown lines or horizontal creases. These may come from habits of expression; try to remember that even if you do feel angry or surprised you needn't show it on your face.

Or, more often, they come from straining your eyes in a bad light. Remedy—rest your eyes all you can; massage your forehead with a good greasy cream—turkey oil, for instance—and every other night leave some of the cream on while you're asleep.

**EYEBROWS** are probably due to a careful re-plucking. Take your tweezers and a magnifying mirror into a strong north light,

## TASTY WAY TRIFLES

HERE are some new ways of making trifles which are pleasing to the taste without being unduly expensive.

To make lemon trifle, break three sponge cakes into a pie-dish and pour over them a custard.

For this custard take half a pint of milk and put it into a saucepan with one dessertspoonful of sugar and the grated rinds of two lemons. Heat the milk, then stir in a piece of butter the size of an egg.

Make ready in a basin the yolks of three eggs, well beaten. Pour the hot milk over these, stirring all the time. When quite thick the custard is ready. If not thick enough heat again for a few minutes, but do not allow to boil.

Whip the whites of the eggs to a stiff froth with a pinch of salt, then add one dessertspoonful of sugar. Pour the custard over the sponge cakes, then squeeze lemon juice over, and pile the whipped whites of eggs on top. Place the dish in the oven to brown slightly, if desired.

### To Make Coffee Trifle

Prepare by first lining a dish with sponge cakes, cut in half and spread with fresh or canned strawberries or raspberries, well mashed and sprinkled with castor sugar to taste. Now add two sliced bananas and ratafia.

Have ready one pint of coffee made with new milk. Make this exactly the same strength as for drinking. Now prepare one pint of custard with the coffee, using custard powder or two fresh eggs, as preferred. Pour into the trifle and leave until set and cold, then decorate with glace cherries or angelica finely cut, and a few dabs of whipped cream.

For grapefruit trifle peel and remove all the pith from one large or two small grapefruit, then cut into neat pieces. Place a layer of cornflakes in the bottom of a glass dish, then a layer of grapefruit and sprinkle with castor sugar.

Make a lemon jelly and pour over the grapefruit, then repeat with layers of cornflakes and grapefruit—and more jelly. When set firmly decorate the trifle with any fresh or canned berry fruits and whipped cream.

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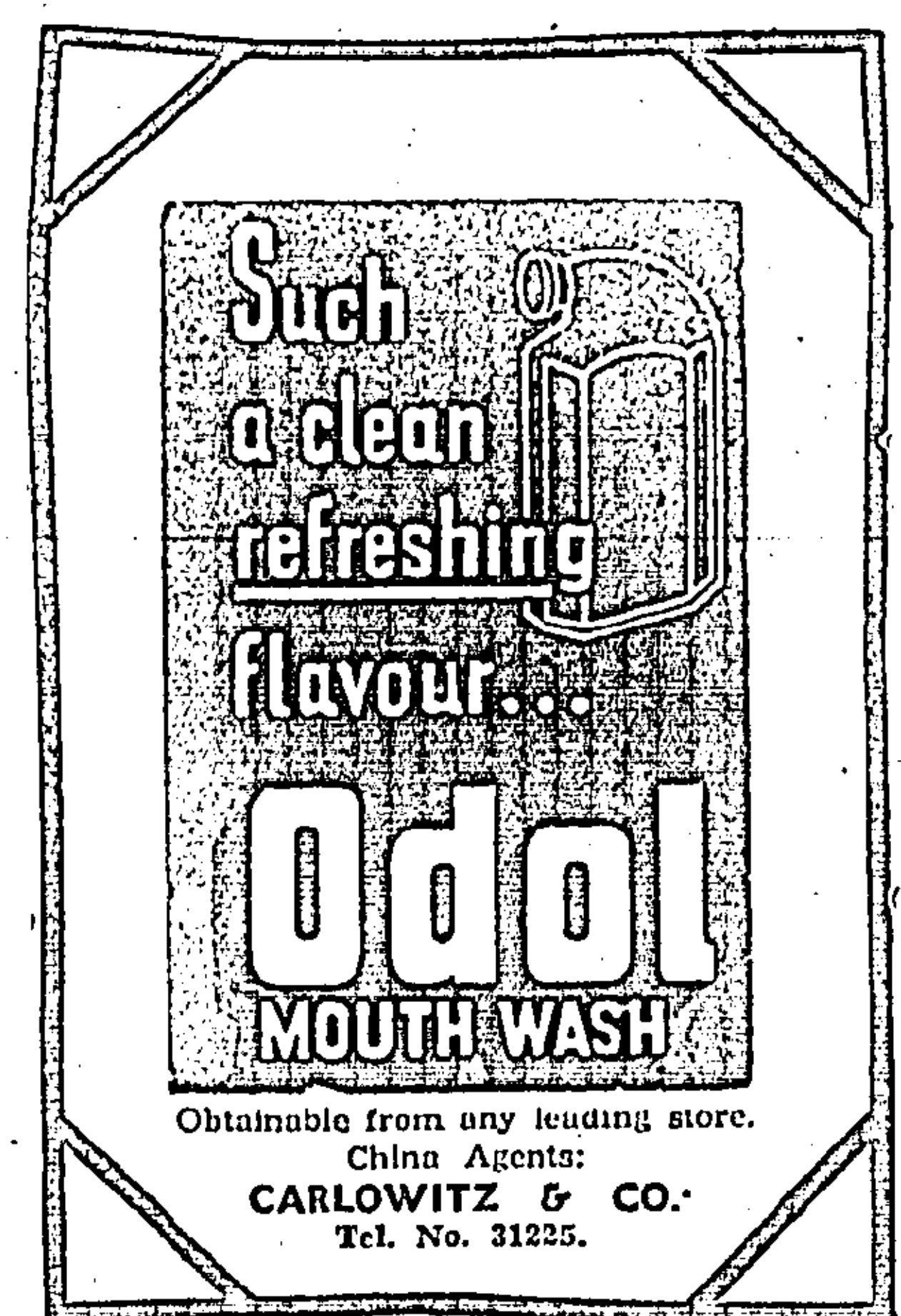
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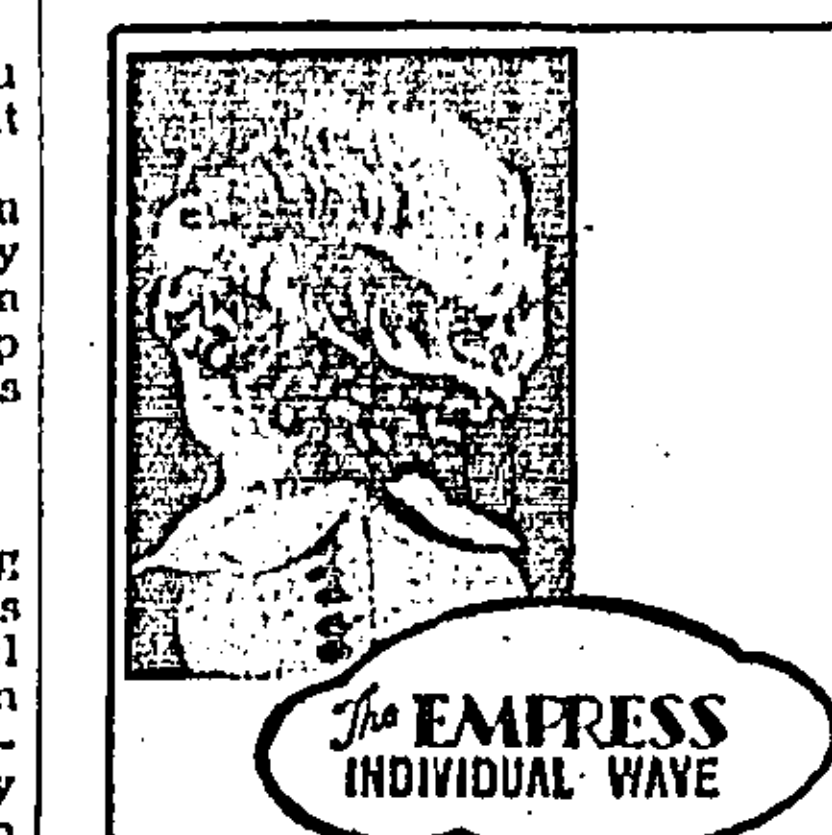
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# "Die Rather Than Surrender," Loyalist Cry

## CRASH OF GUNFIRE FAINTLY HEARD IN BARCELONA SUBURBS

### Catalans Determined To Prolong Resistance

Barcelona, Mar. 29.

People in the suburbs of Barcelona claim they can hear the sound of gunfire from the front. Meanwhile the Catalan Government is exhorting Catalans to mobilise all forces and to summon all their energies to defend their territory from the invaders.

It is claimed that the Insurgents' easy advance across the plains towards the Cinca River has been held up by a desperate resistance in the neighbourhood of Fraga.

Army Corps commanders issued a proclamation declaring: "Once again in very grave circumstances our soldiers know their duty, and are writing in blood the heroic rally cry of 'Die rather than retreat.'"

The press is calling for 100,000 volunteers and the construction of fortifications behind the front and around Barcelona.—*Reuter*.

#### Prolonging Resistance

Barcelona, Mar. 29. "We have decided to prolong our resistance," stated that Premier of the Spanish Republican Government, Dr. Juan Negrin, in a broadcast to-day. "We feel we are strong, and we ask for the confidence of our heroic fighters and the civil population. Our only course is to resist and fight."

The Premier attacked the democratic powers in Europe, declaring that they had no wish, nor did they want to help the Republican Government against foreign aggression.—*Reuter Bulletin*.

#### Insurgent Protest

Salamanca, Mar. 29. An insurgent statement was issued to-day which criticised the French Government for allowing a submarine which had been under repairs at Bordeaux to be returned to the Spanish Government. The statement said this action was contrary to international law.—*Reuter Bulletin*.

#### Barbastro Occupied

Salamanca, Mar. 29. The ancient cathedral city of Barbastro was occupied by Insurgent troops to-day after the city had been completely destroyed by fire by the Loyalists, states a Salamanca radio broadcast.

Many bodies are alleged to have been found among the ruins.—*Reuter Bulletin*.

#### Dynamiting The Moroccans

Hendaye, Mar. 29. The Loyalists threw their savage dynamites into the path of the equally fierce Moroccans to-day in the course of fighting on the roads to the Lerida border.

Reports state that the miners are contesting every inch of territory, using dynamite slings to blow up the invaders.

However, it is reported that the Moroccans have reached a point where the Lerida towers are visible. The dynamiters have hastily set mines under the bridges and culverts.—*United Press*.

## GUNMEN HUNTED IN PEIPING

### Attempt On Life Of Government Head Japanese Badly Wounded

Peiping, Mar. 30.

The police are combing the city for six Chinese gunmen who last night unsuccessfully attempted to assassinate Mr. Wang Keh-min, head of the Provisional Government established by the Japanese.

Mr. Wang was going home with his Japanese secretary and adviser from a dinner party. As his motor car emerged from a side street into the main road, ten pistol shots rang out. One bullet pierced Mr. Wang's clothing without harming him, but Mr. Yamomoto, his secretary, was struck in the arm and face, and was taken to hospital in a serious condition.

There was much excitement among the Japanese community, and the Japanese authorities established police posts at all entrances to the Legation quarter, at the same time attempting to hold up and search everyone passing, including diplomats and foreign women.

The British and American embassies protested to the Japanese Embassy against this, while bodyguards for members of the Provisional Government were reinforced.—*Reuter*.

## No Further Bombing Of Barcelona

London, Mar. 29.

In the House of Commons to-day the Prime Minister, in reply to a question, said that the British Government could not regard General Franco's reply to the British protest regarding the bombing of Barcelona as adequate justification for the attack in view of the exceptional loss of life and injury to the civil population.

Nevertheless, said the Premier, he was glad to note that no further bombardments of Barcelona had occurred since the recent communication sent to General Franco.—*Reuter*.

## Arab Brigands Carry Off Jewish Girl

Jerusalem, Mar. 29.

The body of a fifth victim, riddled with bullets, was found at the scene of the ambush yesterday, where Arab brigands attacked a taxicab on the Safad-Acre road.

Anxiety is felt regarding the fate of a girl who is believed to have been kidnapped by the brigands.—*Reuter Bulletin*.

## THREE NAVAL POWERS CERTAIN TO INVOKE ESCALATOR CLAUSE

London, Mar. 29.

It is reliably stated that the British, French and United States experts' decision to recommend the construction of bigger warships will be incorporated in the text of a communication which the three powers will exchange.

It is understood it will be published soon and will include formal intimation of the decision to invoke the escalator clause.

It is understood that France does not plan to raise the limits unless Italy does. It is understood that Britain has already begun the construction of castings for guns above 14 inches.

Meanwhile it is authoritatively reported that as a special gesture of goodwill Italy is virtually certain to sign the new London Naval Treaty in connection with the Anglo-Italian agreement.—*United Press*.

### SHARE PRICES

The following is the list of local share quotations issued this morning:

Banks	
H.K. Banks, \$1525 ea.	
H.K. Banks, (Lon. Reg.), £88 n.	
Chartered Bank, £11 1/4 n.	
Mercantile Bank, A. and B. £20 n.	
Mercantile Bank, C., £14 n.	
East Asia Bank, \$80 b.	
Insurances	
Canlon Ins., \$275 n.	
Union Ins., \$335 b.	
China Underwriters, \$2 b.	
H.K. Fire Ins., \$233 n. x.d.	
Shipping	
Douglas, \$67 n.	
H.K. Steamboats, \$16 1/4 b.	
Indo-China (Prof.), \$51 n.	
Indo-China (Def.), \$24 n.	
Shell Bearer, 77/0 n.	
Union Waterboats, \$9 1/2 n.	
Docks etc.	
H.K. & W. Wharves, \$130 n.	
H.K. W. Docks, —	
Providents (old), \$3.00 b.	
Providents (new), \$1.05 n.	
New Engineering, Sh. \$3.00 n.	
Shanghai Docks, Sh. \$98 n.	
Kailan Mining Adm., 13/0 n.	
Faubs, \$1.00 sa.	
Yantai Goldfield, \$4 n.	
Hongkong Mines 10 cts. n.	
Philippine Mining	
Antumok, P. 51 sa.	
Alois, P. 25 1/2 sa.	
Baguio Gold, P. 20 sa.	
Benguet Consol., P. 9.50 sa.	
Benguet Explor., —	
Big Wedge, P. —	
Coco Groves, P. 42 sa.	
Consolidated Mines, P. 611 sa.	
Demonstrations, P. 33 1/2 sa.	
E. Mindanao, P. —	
Gumus G. Golds, P. —	
Ipe Gold, P. —	
I.X.L., P. 69 sa.	
Itogons, P. —	
Masbate Consols., P. —	
Min. Resources, P. —	
Northern Min., P. —	
Paracale Gumaus, P. 20 sa.	
Salacot Mining, P. 42 1/2 sa.	
San Mauricio, P. 15 1/2 sa.	
Suyoc Consol., P. 15 1/2 sa.	
United Paracales, P. 41 sa.	
Lands, Hotels, etc.	
H. and S. Hotels, \$7 n.	
H.K. Lands, \$35 1/2 sa.	
H.K. Lands, 4% Deben \$100 b.	
Shai Lands, Sh. \$9 1/2 n.	
Metropolitan Lands, Sh. —	
Humphries, \$9 1/2 n.	
H.K. Realities, \$5.40 n.	
Chinese Estate, \$97 b.	
China Realities, Sh. —	
China Deben, —	
Public Utilities	
H.K. Tramways, \$15.80 b.	
Peak Trams (old), \$7 b.	
Peak Trams (new), \$34 n.	
Star Ferries, \$84 1/2 b.	
Yau-mat Ferries (old), \$28 1/2 n.	
China Light (old), \$12.10 b.	
China Light (new), \$9.10 n.	
H.K. Electric, \$59 1/4 b.	
Macao Electric, \$18 n.	
Sandakan Lights, \$14 1/2 b.	
Telephone (old), \$26 1/4 n.	
Telephone (new), \$10 1/4 sa.	
China Bus, Sh. —	
Singapore Junctions, 23/- n.	
Singapore Prof., 23/- n.	
Industrials	
Cald. Macg. (old), Sh. \$14 1/4 n.	
Cald. Macg. (Prof.), Sh. \$12 1/4 n.	
Canton Ices, \$170 n.	
Cement, \$17 1/4 b.	
H.K. Ropes, \$4.00 n.	
Stores, Etc.	
Dairy Farm, \$25 n.	
Watsons, \$6.65/60 sa.	
Lanc Crawfords, \$9 1/4 n.	
Sinceres, \$2.20 b.	
Wing On (H.K.), \$40 n.	
William Powell, Ltd., 60 cts. b.	
Cotton Mills	
Ewo Cotton, Sh. \$14 1/4 n.	
S'hai Cotton (old), Sh. \$72 n.	
Zong Sing, Sh. —	
Wing On Textiles, Sh. —	
Miscellaneous	
H.K. Entertainments, \$6.70 n.	
Constructions, \$1 1/4 b.	
Vibro Piling, \$5 1/4 n.	
Ch. Govt. 5% 1926 GSDs., 71% n.	
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan 0% prim. n.	
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% Loan 2% prim. n.	
Stores, Etc.	
Wallace Harpers, \$10 b.	
Maramans Inv., (Lon.), s/- 12/0 n.	
Maramans Ins. (H.K.), s/- 3/10 b.	
H.K. & W. Docks, \$21.80 sa. X. Rts. X. Div.	
H.K. & W. Docks (new), \$21 n.	
H.K. & W. Docks Rts., \$11 n.	

## RUBBER QUOTAS RAISED

### British Territory Benefits Greatly

London, Mar. 29.

The final recommendations of the International Rubber Committee to the signatory governments with regard to the renewal of the regulation agreement, contain among other things proposals for alteration of the basic quotas for the years 1939 to 1943. Compared with the figures put forward earlier, the recommendations for Malaya, the Netherlands Indies and Siam are unchanged, but Ceylon's proposed quota for each year now is now 8,000 tons above that of the original recommendation.

Similarly, Burma is offered an additional 1,500 tons each year; North Borneo an additional 2,000 in 1939, 1,750 in 1940, 1941 and 1942, and 1,250 in 1943; Sarawak an additional 4,000 each year, except in the case of 1940, when it is offered an extra 4,250 tons.

The full text of the final recommendations of the committee will be published as soon as possible.

While the International Rubber Committee's decision to leave the quota for the second quarter unchanged has not surprised the majority, London rubber prices nevertheless broke sharply, dipping under sixpence for the first time for four years.

The weakness was chiefly attributed to outside liquidation which found the market bereft of buyers who, anticipating further liquidation of the weak positions, are at present holding off.

Well-informed circles recognise that the committee had little option regarding the second quarter quota, for whereas a five per cent. reduction would not have afforded any material relief, a 10 per cent. cut would undeniably have raised problems in connection with the labour position.

While some consider the committee has merely shelved the question of the quota for the third quarter, others consider it possible that it may have possession of estimates indicating an improved United States consumption for the latter half of the year.—*Reuter*.

## SILVER PRICE AGAIN CUT

### America May Cease To Buy Abroad

Washington, March 29.

Believed to be another retaliation against Mexico, the United States Treasury to-day reduced the price of foreign silver to 43 cents per ounce, which is the lowest since January, 1936.

Some quarters express the belief that the United States may attempt to withdraw from the world silver market, simultaneously continuing a substantial bounty to the domestic producers in order to placate the Congressional silver bloc.

It is conceded that such a withdrawal will result in a severe downward readjustment in silver prices, and that it might lead to further manipulation in foreign currencies.—*United Press*.

### EXCHANGE

#### Selling

T.T. London	1s. 2 1/4
Demand	1s. 2 1/4
T.T. Shanghai	110
T.T. Singapore	52 1/2
T.T. Japan	104 1/2
T.T. India	81
T.T. U.S.A.	30 1/2
T.T. Manila	61
T.T. Batavia	54 1/2
T.T. Bangkok	18 1/2
T.T. Saigon	93 1/2
T.T. France	9.00
T.T. Germany	75 1/2
T.T. Switzerland	132 1/2
T.T. Australia	1/0. 1/4

#### Buying

4 m/s L/c London	1/2 1/4
4 m/s D/P do.	1/2 31/32
4 m/s L/c U.S.A.	31
4 m/s France	10.65
30 d/s India	82 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in London	4.97 1/2
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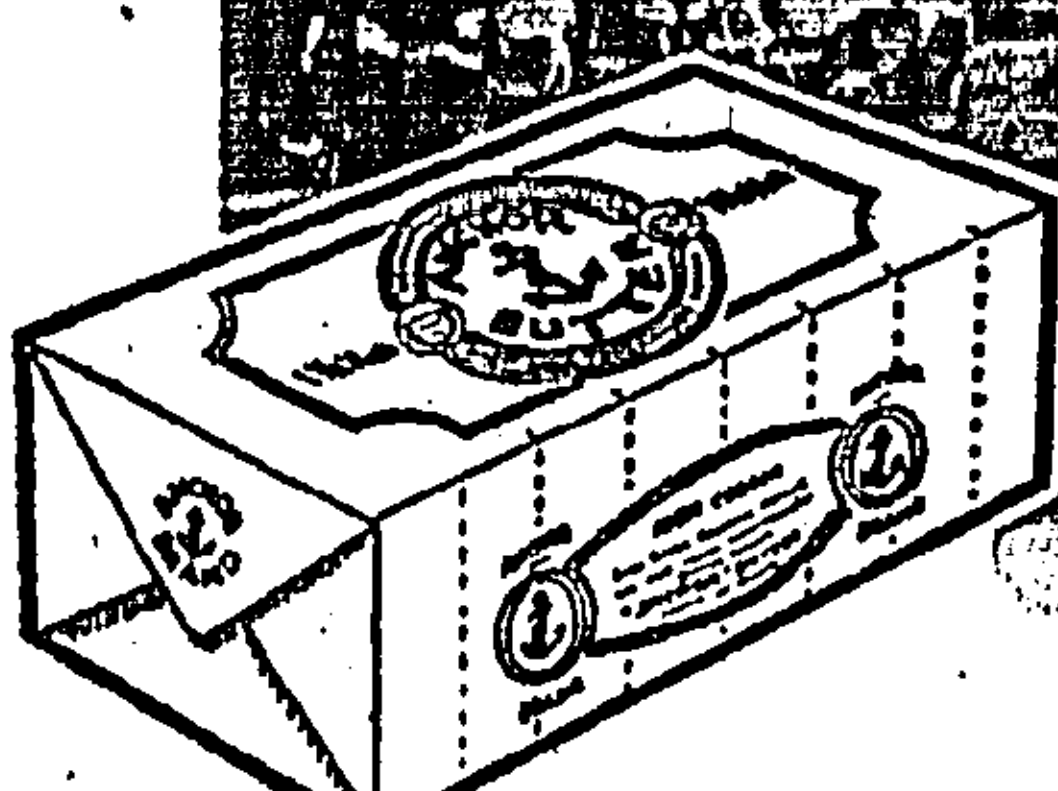
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### IMPROVED BUSINESS REPORTED

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compared with 40 per cent. this time last year. The increase is due to the influx of refugees from various parts of China owing to the Sino-Japanese hostilities.

Turning to the accounts, you will see that the profit earned for the year under review, after providing for Depreciation and allowing for Directors' and Auditors' Fees and Commission to General Managers, etc., is \$98,209.80. This amount added to the balance of \$43,065.68 brought forward from 1936, makes a total of credit of profit and loss account of \$141,275.48, which your Directors recommend be dealt with as follows:

Pay a dividend of 25 cents per share amounting to \$50,000.00. And carry forward to credit of next year's account \$91,275.48. Depreciation on buildings, etc., has been provided on the usual basis except that your Directors decided to provide an additional \$10,000 depreciation on machinery as some of our machines are now getting old and will need replacing. The stocks and stores have been valued, as usual, at cost or under.

Revenue from rents shows an increase of \$8,100.02 over the figures recorded for 1936.

**PROFITABLE SALE.** You will notice that share investments do not appear in the accounts. These were sold during the past year at a profit of \$5,358.00 as shown in the profit and loss account.

You will also note the amount of \$3,020.50 expended on the wharf. This represents the cost of repairs and replacements made during the year and I may say that the wharf is now practically a new one.

Sundry debtors accounts amounting to \$60,112.87 are slightly higher than usual owing to increased sales made towards the end of the year. These are ordinary trade balances with customers which have practically all been paid up.

The cash position has also improved since the date of the accounts and is adequate to meet the dividend requirements which I shall shortly propose to you.

**FORECAST DANGEROUS.** As regards the prospects for the current year, it is unfortunate that world conditions in general and the state of affairs in the Far East make any forecast dangerous, but I may say, however, that we continue to enjoy the support of many shipping companies and our sales so far are encouraging.

I do not think that there are any further items in the accounts which will for special comment, and I will therefore propose that the Report and Accounts as presented to this meeting be adopted and passed, and that the amount of \$101,275.48 at credit of Profit and Loss Account be appropriated as stated.

When this has been seconded I shall be pleased to answer any questions, having reference to the Report and Accounts, which you may wish to ask.

Mr. Williamson seconded the Report and Accounts were approved. The re-election of Sir Robert Ho Tung and Sir Elly Kadoorie to the Board of Directors was approved on the motion of Mr. Dick seconded by Mr. Dryer.

The re-election of Messrs. Linstead and Davis and Messrs. Percy Smith, Seah and Fleming as auditors was approved on the motion of Mr. Cole seconded by Mr. Topplin.

### EXCHANGE RATES

	Mar. 29	Mar. 30
Paris	104 1/4	103 31/32
Geneva	21 07/8	21 06 1/2
Berlin	12 30 1/2	12 37 1/2
Athens	54 7/8	54 7/8
Milan	94 1/2	94 1/2
Oslo	10 00	10 00
Copenhagen	22 40	22 40
Stockholm	10 40 1/2	10 40 1/2
Helsingfors	22 0 1/2	22 0 1/2
Shanghai	1 1/2	1 1/2
New York	4 00	4 00 1/2
Vienna	2 00	2 00 1/2
Amsterdam	0 00 1/2	0 00 1/2
Prague	1 00 1/2	1 00 1/2
Madrid	1 00 1/2	1 00 1/2
Lisbon	1 00 1/2	1 00 1/2
Hongkong	1 00 1/2	1 00 1/2
Bombay	1 00 1/2	1 00 1/2
Montreal	4 00 1/2	4 00 1/2
Brussels	29 42	29 42
Yokohama	1 1/2	1 1/2
Belgrade	2 10	2 10
Bucharest	0 77 1/2	0 77 1/2

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

### UNION WATERBOAT CO., LTD.

#### Notice to Shareholders

The Thirty-third Annual General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Dodwell & Co., Ltd., Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Building, on Wednesday, the 6th April, 1938, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1937.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 23rd March to 6th April, 1938, both days inclusive.

### DODWELL & CO., LTD.

General Managers. Hongkong, 14th March, 1938.

### THE INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

The Fifty-seventh Ordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at the Offices of the General Managers, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Pedder Street, Hong Kong, on Thursday, 31st March, 1938, at noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, passing the Accounts, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 24th March to 14th April inclusive.

By order of the Board,

### JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.

General Managers.

### GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Forty-Ninth Ordinary Annual Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the offices of the Company, Exchange Building, Des Voeux Road Central, Victoria, Hong Kong, on Tuesday, the 12th day of April, 1938, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ended 31st December, 1937.

**THE TRANSFER BOOKS OF THE COMPANY** will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, the 1st APRIL, 1938, to TUESDAY, the 12th APRIL, 1938, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

### T. C. T. BECK,

Secretary.

Hongkong, 3rd March, 1938.

### FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN.

#### What to do to help a child

Anyone knowing of a child who has been assaulted, neglected, or ill-treated in a manner likely to cause unnecessary suffering or injury to health, or knowing of a parent who is seeking advice on any matter concerning a child, would be doing an act of kindness by communicating at once with the Hon. Secretaries, H.K.S.P.C.

Room 308, Bank of East Asia Building, Hongkong, or the Inspector, 40, Poldium Road, 1st floor; or the Inspector, Violet Peel Health Centre, Wanchai; or the Inspector, 12, Sai Young Choi Street, 1st floor, Kowloon.

All further steps will be taken, and expenses borne, by the Society. The informant's name will be kept strictly private, except in cases where malice is proved.

### CONSIGNEES' NOTICE.

#### SERVICES CONTRACTUELS DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

#### The Steamship "JEAN LABORDE"

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Consignees are hereby informed that their goods with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables are being landed and stored into the Godowns of the Hongkong Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co. Ltd., Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

All claims must be sent to me on or before 9th April, 1938, or they will not be recognized.

Damaged Packages will be examined by the Company's Surveyors Goddard and Douglas in the presence of the Consignees at 10.00 a.m. on Tuesday, 6th April, 1938.

Consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when any dutiable goods are examined by the Company's Surveyors.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

### R. OHL,

Agent.

Hongkong, 30th March, 1938.

Montevideo 20 1/2

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—British Wireless.

## 5,000 JAPANESE FACE ANNIHILATION

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operating in the vicinity of Tung-lu-shan and Choukatsu and in districts between Ishing and Liyang on the Shanghai-Nanking highway, attacked the Chinese positions at 9 o'clock on Monday under cover of aerial bombardment.

When reinforced, the Chinese forces counter-attacked and recaptured Choukatsu, and the Chinese attack on Tung-lu-shan was resumed on Monday night.

In south Shansi, Chinese forces recaptured Yuanchu, the Japanese troops retreating eastward.—Reuters.

### Shantung Fighting Most Severe

Ishuchow, Mar. 30.

With both sides throwing in heavy reinforcements fighting on the north Tientsin-Pukow Railway front is reaching the decisive stage.

Furious fighting took place yesterday on practically all important points, notably Lincheng, Taining, Talerchwang, Yenchow, Tala and the Yi River banks.

Lincheng and Taining, which are reported to have changed hands again yesterday, are scenes of heavy fighting. Both sides are determined to gain these strategic towns.

Despite continuous fighting around Lincheng and Taining, the Chinese vanguards are pushing southward with Tala, 50 kilometres south of Taining, as their immediate objective.

Taivenkou, 25 kilometres north of Yenchow, which has been recaptured by the Chinese forces, has now been cleared of Japanese forces.

**Guerillas Attack Yenchow** Meanwhile, Chinese guerillas are attacking Yenchow. With the Japanese rear menaced as a result of the recapture of Taivenkou the recovery of Yenchow is believed imminent.

The guerillas raided the Japanese aerodrome at Yenchow on the night of March 28. Hurling their hand-grenades they destroyed three grounded Japanese planes.

To prevent the arrival of Japanese reinforcements at Yenchow the Chinese have damaged a steel bridge spanning the Tawenou River.

The Japanese counter-offensive on Talerchwang, the eastern terminus of the Lincheng-Talerchwang branch railway, is being continued with increased vigour. The town was in a precarious position for a time yesterday when the Japanese started a terrific artillery and aerial bombardment to assist the advance of their infantry.

But 800 Chinese "dare-to-die" men successfully stemmed the advance. According to a message received late yesterday the town was still in Chinese hands.

Grim fighting was witnessed yesterday on both banks of the Yi River in south-east Shantung. On the east bank the centre of fighting was around Sankwanmiao where repeated onslaughts by the Japanese were successfully repulsed by the Chinese during the day.

On the west bank hand-to-hand encounters took place at Shihliu, Houkangtiao and Chien-kangtiao.—Central News.

### South Shansi Town Recaptured

Chengchow, Mar. 30.

An official communique states that the Chinese forces operating in south Shansi have recaptured Yanchu, an important town on the north bank of the Yellow River on the Shansi-Honan border.—Central News.

### Japanese Planes Bomb Hohsien

Chengyangkang, Mar. 30.

Twenty Japanese planes bombed Hohsien in central Anhwei in relays on March 27, according to a belated report.

More than 20 bombs were dropped, demolishing a number of houses.

On the same day seven Japanese planes raided Hanshan. Four bombs were dropped inside the city and seven in the suburbs.—Central News.

### Japanese Bomb Talerchwang

Hsuehchow, Mar. 30.

To halt the Chinese advance, 17 Japanese planes heavily bombed Talerchwang and the surrounding villages yesterday noon. The 200 bombs killed many civilians.—Central News.

### Several Points Around Lini Recaptured

Lini, Shantung, March 30.

Several points on the Lini front were recaptured by the Chinese forces in a desperate battle yesterday morning. These included Sankwanmiao, Hsiao-shanwang and Hsuehchwang.

Eight Japanese light machine-guns and 60 rifles were taken during the fight.—Central News.

### Japanese Retreating

Hsuehchow, March 30.

According to a telephone message from the south-east Shantung front late last night the Japanese troops attacking Talerchwang were routed yesterday and were retreating north-eastward. Four Japanese tanks were seized by the Chinese.

The Chinese forces were hotly pursuing them last night.

A Japanese unit of about 1,000 is besieged by the Chinese at a point near Talerchwang and may be annihilated.—Central News.

### Japanese To Cross Chientang River

Linan, Chekiang, March 30.

Presumably in preparation for crossing the Chientang River, the Japanese troops at Hangchow have recently seized a large number of Chinese boats and commandeered 300 able-bodied Chinese, to make rafts for them.

The Japanese numerical strength at

## SOUTH AFRICA SEEKS NEW TERRITORIES

(Continued from Page 1.)

territories were announced in the House of Commons by the Dominions Secretary. He said that in an extension of the co-operation between the Union and the United Kingdom Government it had been agreed to establish a standing Joint Advisory Conference consisting of the Secretary for Native Affairs, and two other officers of the Union Government, together with the resident commissioners of the three High Commission territories, whose functions it would be to study openings for co-operation between the Union Government and the administrations, in matters affecting the development of the territories, and to consider any matters of joint concern to the Union and the territories, such as the prevention and control of animal diseases, marketing of produce, prevention of bubonic plague, and other matters.

The establishment of the Advisory Conference would not, of course, affect the present responsibility of the United Kingdom Government for government of the territories.

Secondly Mr. MacDonald stated it had been arranged that the Union Government should prepare a memorandum with a view to making clear to the peoples of the territories the terms on which the transfer, if decided upon, would take place. Such terms would naturally follow closely the provisions of the schedule to the South Africa Act, but it had seemed important to General Hertzog and himself, that the Union Government should set them out in a convenient and more complete form, so that the peoples of the territories might appreciate the conditions under which the territories would be governed in the event of the transfer, and the position regarding the maintenance of tribal institutions of the natives, the economic advantages which the Union anticipated would accrue to the peoples of the territories, and any other relevant matters.

These announcements followed the intimation that opportunity of General Hertzog's London visit for the Coronation had been taken for further exchanges on the subject of the High Commission territories, which had been continued since. These had resulted in a common recognition of the principles already proclaimed on previous occasions by both sides, and on that basis, Mr. MacDonald and General Hertzog had been jointly studying "what is the best and most practical course to pursue."—British Wireless.

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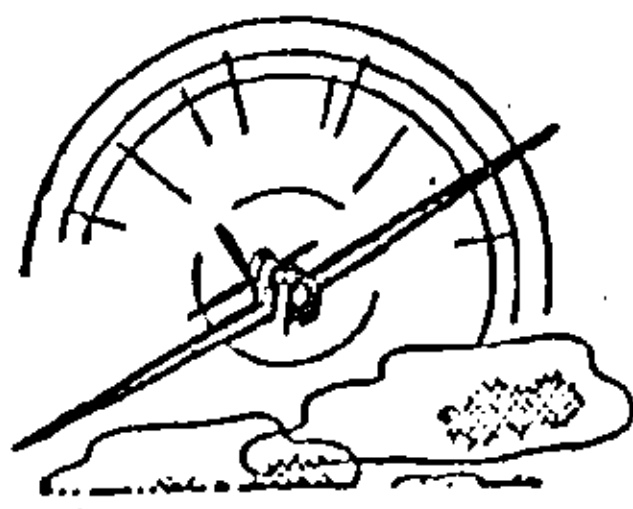
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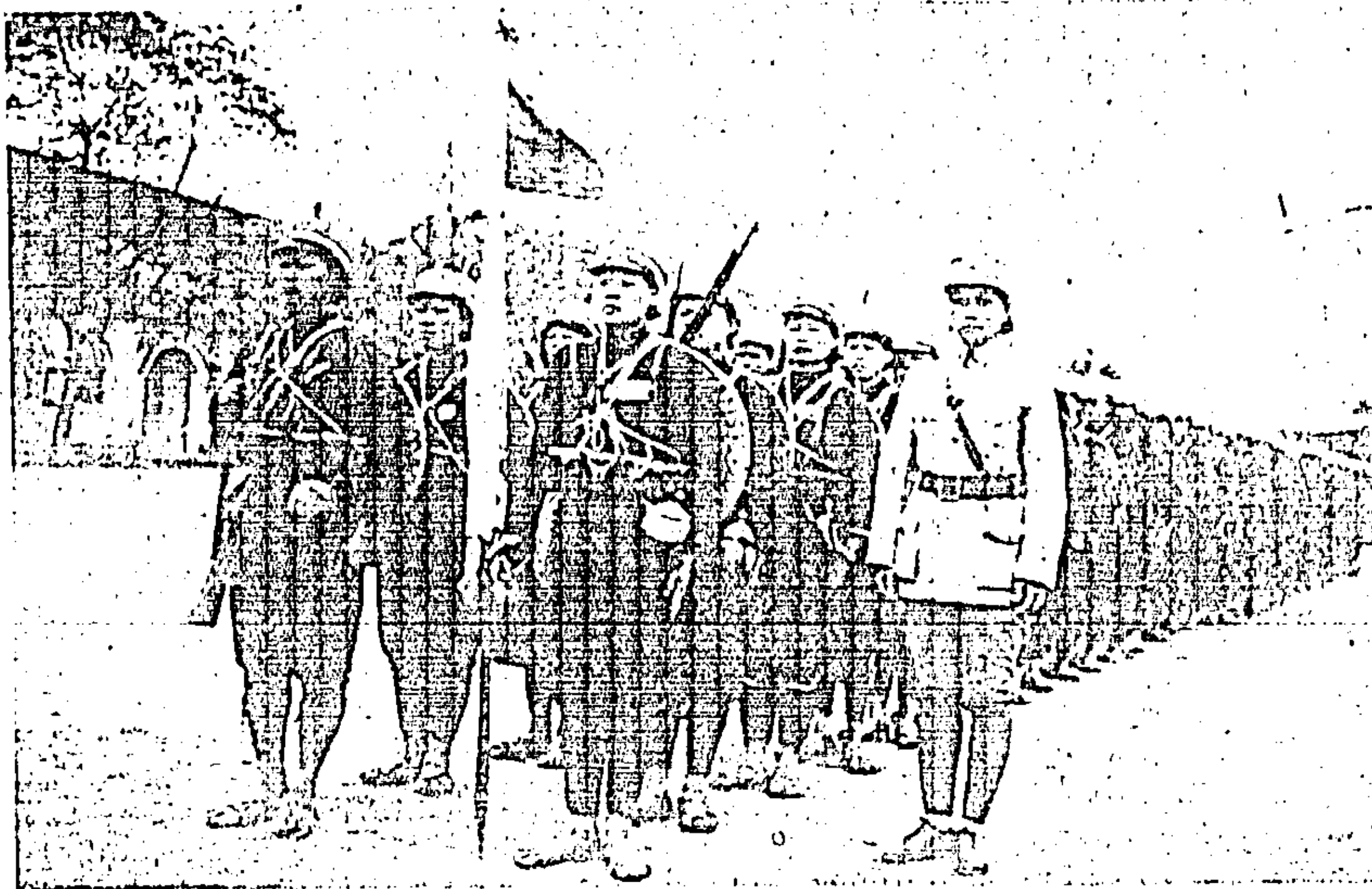
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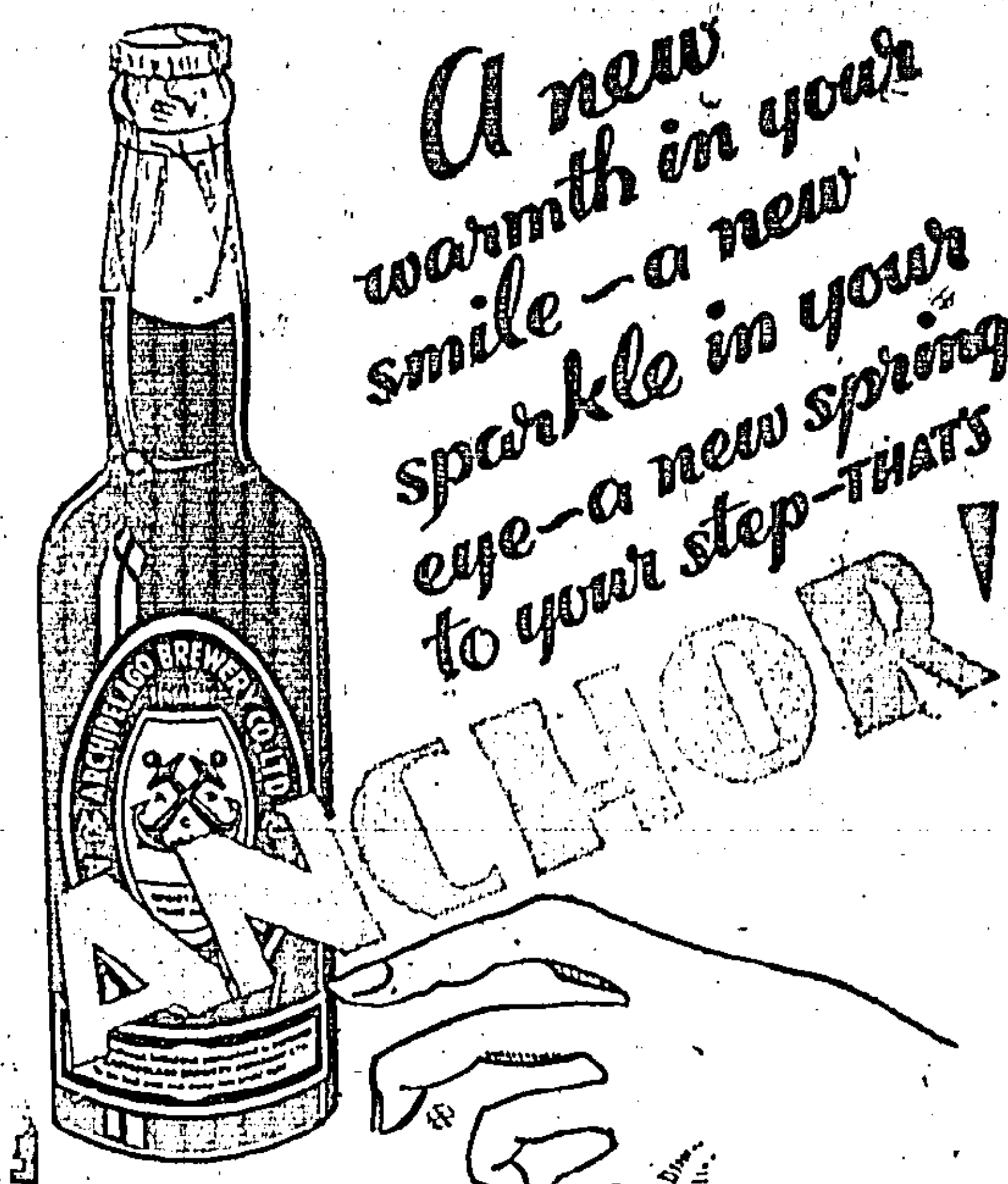
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**CHINESE AMAZONS FROM KWANGSI WILL FIGHT IN NORTHERN WAR ZONE**

PHOTOGRAPHS above and on left show the new Amazon Army that has risen in Kwangsi. These Chinese girls are members of the 2nd Kwangsi Women's Unit which will shortly go into action. The 1st Kwangsi Women's Unit was in action recently at Changsha, where they suffered considerable casualties. —Albert Kahn, Photos.



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**JOURNALIST LEFT LOCAL ESTATE**

The late Mr. Alexander Richard Wood, known as Richard Wood, journalist, formerly of Shanghai, who died at Montrose, Angus, Scotland, on March 22, 1937, left local estate valued at \$7,500. An application by Mr. H. J. Armstrong for sealing confirmation (nominate) of the executor has been granted.

Local estate worth \$1,900 was left by the late Mr. Algernon Montford Adams, of Shanghai, who died at London on December 22 last. Mr. G. G. N. Tinson has been granted leave to seal exemplification of probate of the will.



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Friday, April 8, 9.30 p.m. HONGKONG SOCIETY FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN Room 308, East Asia Building.

**LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**

To the Editor, Hongkong Telegraph.

Sir—You will oblige me by publishing a comment to your article: "Remarkable Story by Man Who Knew Herr Hitler".

Germans by now are getting used to all kinds of evil and malicious attacks through the press and through books upon National Socialist Germany. This cannot stop or hinder our peaceful work of reconstruction. The German Eagle flies skyhigh above all the dirt and spite. We therefore consider it beyond our respect to take such attacks and lies seriously. Especially not if a countryman of our own tries to betray and belittle his homeland, which can make his behaviour in the eyes of all respectable people of any nation only detestable.

If I take to the pen now, it is only to protest most emphatically that your newspaper deems it fit to allow extracts of the "book" of Mr. Ludecke containing the vilest and insulting remarks or characterisations of our Fuehrer Adolf Hitler, the Head of the German Reich, to be printed at such a prominent place.

I take especially exception to the remark: "... Hitler is quoted as saying: 'I need Hindenburg—I need that feeble minded old bull, that gentle dodo.' ... I need not declare that this is a shameless lie. I wish only to point out that the reprinting of such insults against the head of a foreign State is no contribution to the preservation of peace which is always the pretended monopoly of the democratic countries, whereas the "repressor" nations—as we are always denominated for better distinction from the "Western democracies"—do not allow their press to spread lies, poison the atmosphere and insult the head of foreign states.

Britishers and Germans are kinsmen, so what recently had been said in local papers about the British Lion, who could stand a lot of pinpricking but when overdone might come to a sudden end, goes also for the German Eagle. The respective reference Chancellor Hitler made in his great speech on the 20th. of February in the last German Reichstag must not be ignored.

Hell Hitler, M. Huan.

**New Phase Of Air Defence Plan Started**

Net-work Of Roads To Link Numerous R.A.F. Establishments

London, Mr. 29. A further section of the biggest building programme any Government Department had been called on to carry out is now being launched by the Works Directorate of the Air Ministry. This is the next step in the further progressive expansion of the Royal Air Force which has been lately approved by the Government. The programme provides for the construction of additional air force stations, and maintenance units, distributed throughout England and Scotland at a total cost in the coming financial year of nearly £11,000,000. They will be used principally for defence training establishments and maintenance purposes required under the extended expansion scheme. Provision of the new stations will also entail the planning and making of roads, and the installation of an electrical and water supply system on large scale. The magnitude of the works programme now in hand, is shown by the growth of the Works Directorate vote. In the last five years it has risen from £1,702,000 to £16,322,000—a figure which is not far short of the total expenditure of the Royal Air Force in 1933.—British Wireless.

**ROUND UP OF MENDICANTS**

A round-up of beggars in the Happy Valley and Wanchai districts last evening resulted in the appearance of 14 of them, including many women, before Mr. H. R. Butters at the Central Magistracy this morning. Some were found in Village Road, and Wongneichong Road, while others were arrested in Fleming Road and Johnston Road.

Varying sentences were imposed, ranging from cautions to fines of \$25 or a month's imprisonment.

Inspector A. V. Baker prosecuted.

**STOCK AND BOND EXCHANGE WILL MOVE TO CHUNGKING**

Chungking, Mar. 30. The Shanghai Stock and Bond Exchange is arranging to resume operations at Chungking.

Since January, six Shanghai banks have opened branches in Chungking, the branches totalling 14 members of the local Association of Exchange Banks.—United Press.

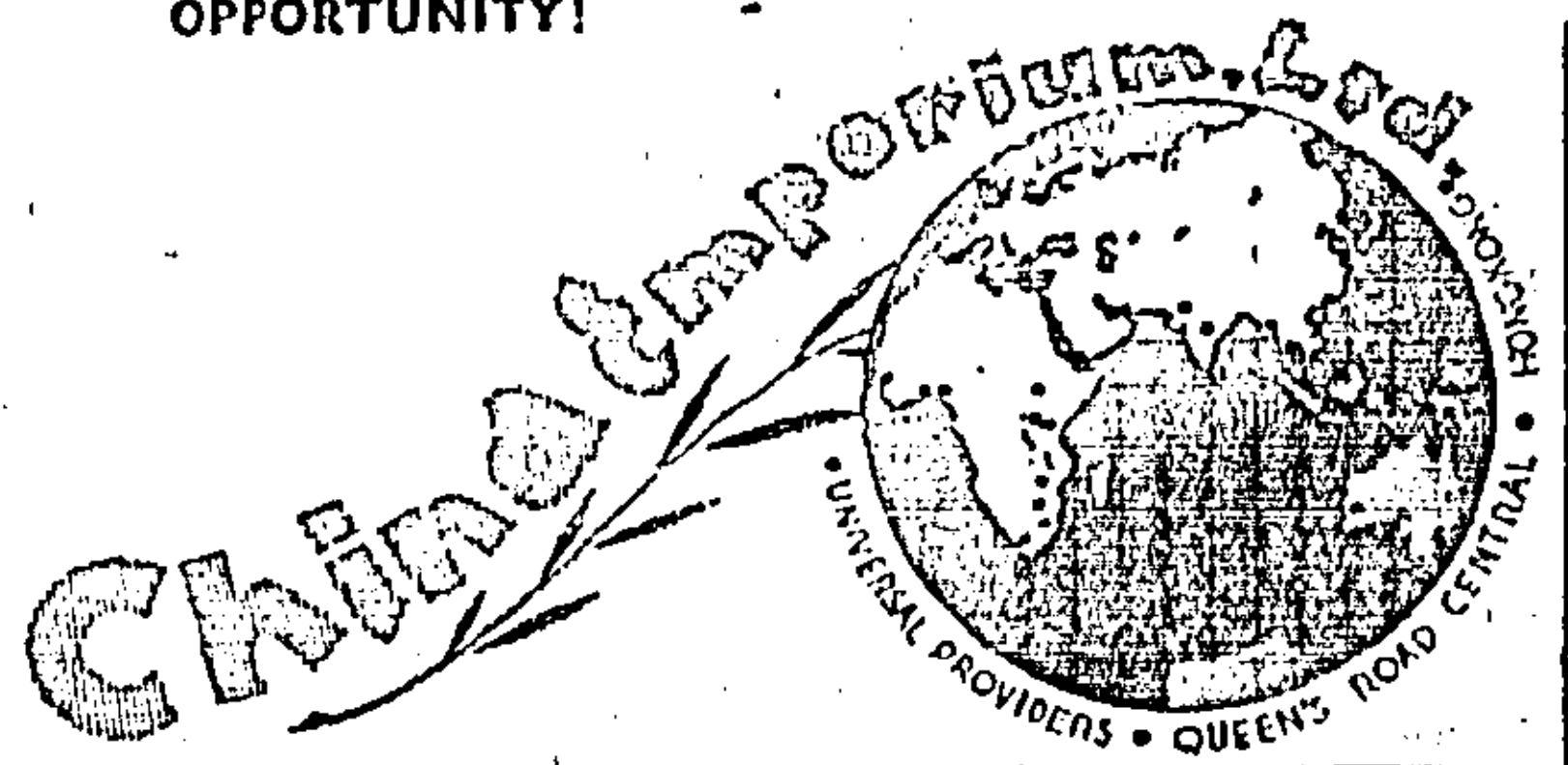
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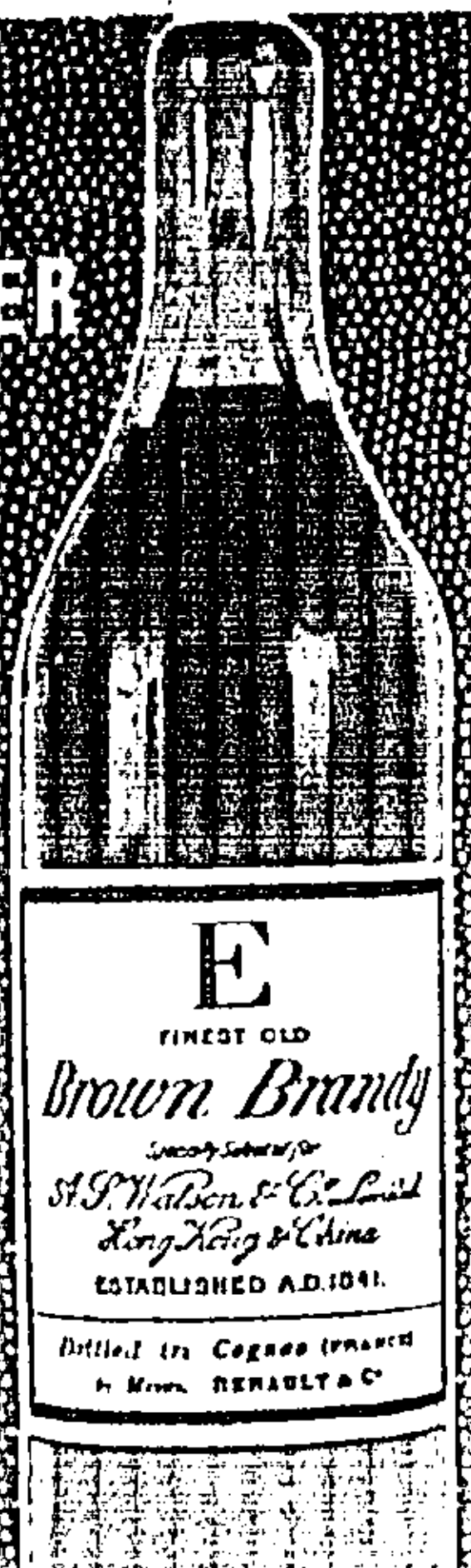
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### The Hongkong Telegraph.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 30, 1938.

#### EDUCATION FOR HEALTH

There are signs that Hongkong is officially aware of the continuing danger of epidemic here. Dr. S. N. Chau's penetrating questions in the Urban Council and Dr. P. S. Selwyn-Clarke's recent appeal for public co-operation are indicative of the public and professional interest in the situation. This newspaper has discussed the problem of community safeguards and has given the widest publicity to reports on the progress of the fight against smallpox, which has been waged tirelessly by doctors and nurses for the past many months, in the hope of impressing upon the public the necessity for co-operation in precaution. And although the subject may be distasteful to many who feel that it is being over-emphasised, it is submitted that preparedness in this connection is one thing which cannot be too often or too greatly stressed. Possibly by repetition of warnings in one form or another the proper attitude to disease generally may be created. Smallpox is not the only thing this community has to guard against. The conditions in which the bulk of the population lives are such that disease can and will spread rapidly unless everything possible is done to prevent and control it. And prevention should come before control, and is more to be desired than cure.

Admittedly, it is not among the English-speaking population that the need for enlightenment is most evident. But the ignorant people can be reached through servants and employees to some extent; and if every householder and employer of labour were to disseminate information on this vital subject of health, the knowledge would reach many thousands. This is one method of campaign. It is suggested that it is as necessary as the precautionary teaching against air raids, and every bit as much a duty of the public. Perhaps the medical authorities would be well advised to draw up a programme for the assistance of those who are willing to talk to Chinese workers, with the idea of enlightening the latter in the scheme. The extensive use of posters might be a valuable adjunct.

Lessons in hygiene so taught would be of immense value to the general health of the Colony, without a doubt, and might do something towards lessening the terrible toll which tuberculosis takes annually among the Chinese.

This is the Lenten season. At this time for spiritual stock-taking JAMES DOUGLAS asks:

## Have your prayers been answered?

LORD HALIFAX is a man of prayer. Guy Eden tells us in an article about him that "he prays before he makes any important decision."

The House of Commons prays every day before it starts its business, although William Barkley tells us that most of its members are absentees.

They pray only in order to make sure of their seats on a day of crisis.

I wish we could get the whole nation on its knees in a passion of prayer for peace. I wish we could get all the other nations on their knees beside us. There would be no danger of another world war if the world could unite in praying for peace.

I would rule out all public prayer and put my trust in private prayer.

I would ask for private and silent prayer in all countries at noon every day.

I am sure that God answers prayer. I learned to pray at my mother's knees. Let me tell how God answered my mother's prayers.

WHEN I was a child I was blind for six months. I was led about the house with a veil before my eyes. I remember those months of blindness.

A circus was parading in the street. My nurse carried me in her arms to see the elephants. I remember how I strained my eyesight to catch a glimpse of the elephants. All I could see were great dim shadows. The elephants were invisible.

The ophthalmic surgeon told my mother that nothing could be done to restore my eyesight. I remember how my mother wept when she heard his verdict.

DID she lose her faith in God? No. I remember how she led me into our parlour. She closed the door and she made me kneel beside her as she prayed.

She dedicated me to the service of God as she poured out her supplications for the restoration of my eyesight.

My mother based her prayer upon the story of Hannah and the child Samuel. It is the love-

liest story in the world. It is told in I Samuel, i.—

"...why weepest thou? and why eatest thou not? And why is thy heart grieved? Am not I better to thee than ten sons?"

Thus spake Elkanah, her husband, to his childless wife.

"So Hannah rose up after they had eaten in Shiloh, and after they had drunk. Now Eli the priest sat up on a seat by a post of the temple of the Lord.

"And she was in bitterness of soul, and prayed unto the Lord, and wept sore.

"And she vowed a vow, and said, O Lord of hosts, if thou wilt indeed look on the affliction of thine handmaid...but will give unto thine handmaid a man child, then I will give him unto the Lord all the days of his life."

My mother, like Hannah, "vowed a vow." Her prayer was answered. My eyesight was restored. The doctor was astounded. He could hardly believe his own eyes. He told my mother that it was a miracle.

Of course, the cynics will sneer. They will also jeer. They will ridicule my belief that I owe my eyesight to my mother's prayers. But I know

that the cynics are wrong. They are always wrong.

I COULD give many other proofs that God answers prayer, proofs out of my own life, proofs so strong that they would be accepted in a court of law as circumstantial evidence beyond all question.

In prayer the soul, even without the use of human language but solely by faith, can enter the presence of God and be transformed by His power and His pity, by His tender mercy and loving-kindness.

This is an experience and an experiment which cannot be shared or even understood by the cynic or the materialist. It is, nevertheless, as real as any laboratory experiment conducted by men of science.

THE scientific test of a scientific experiment is that it can be repeated under the same conditions.

Prayer endures this test. It is a spiritual experiment that can be repeated by anybody who chooses. It has, in fact, been repeated by millions of men after century.

## Each Year We Use 5,000 Million Pins

EVERYBODY uses the simple pin, very few people manufacture it—two facts that equally delight the cheerful pin industry that has flourished in England, on family lines, for three centuries.

There are few upstarts in the pin world, for the total British industry is worth only a little more than £400,000 a year, employing some 3,000 people, and would be industrial emperors at greater trades. So most of the pin firms have histories at least a century old, and faded Press-cuttings and daguerrotypes of worthy Victorians cluster the walls of their sedate offices.

Nevertheless, pins have founded several fortunes. The pin king of Britain, Mr. Charles Beard, now in his seventy-ninth year, chairman and almost sole proprietor of Kirby, Beard and Co., Ltd., spent his youth hunting and travelling the world, and lives in a pleasant house with some 100 acres near Leamington. His brother William, who died on his way to Egypt several years ago, had been for 30 years one of the staunchest winter residents of Shepherd's, in Cairo, and a pillar of Egyptian pony-racing.

The brothers inherited their business at Birmingham, the centre of the industry, from their father, George Beard, who lived in a huge country house at Thickthorn, near Kenilworth, and died some years before the war worth about £60,000 after having made over the business to his sons. Before him there was another George Beard, who joined the Kirbys in 1810—the Kirbys had disappeared by 1854. The big store of Kirby, Beard in Paris, founded to sell pins after the Napoleonic wars, now has a capital of 4,000,000 francs, and still contributes to the family fortunes.

There are no more Beards to carry on the name, but their successors are ready. Old George Beard, governor of a school near Birmingham, noticed that young Walter Villiers came up for a prize three years in succession. He gave him a job, and now Mr. Walter Villiers, business man in the grand old tradition, is managing director of the firm, with his son, Cecil, on the board. Their products, for they make many things now beside pins—go all over the world. The Beards are the biggest of the pin families, but there are others. Daniel Froote Taylor once invented a pin-machine, and his name, but not his family, still trades. About the same time, Robert Charlton started to make pins. A Charles Lambert bought him out, and was bought out in turn by the present firm, Tubbs Lewis and Co., Ltd., elastic manufacturers of to-day.

A little later, with the spread of machinery, the safety-pin, degraded form of brooch, came into prominence. George Goodman, needle-maker's apprentice, who had run away to sea, came back to start his own needle factory, switched over to these new-fangled safety-pins, and founded the firm which to-day specialises in them and uses 600 miles of wire a week.

Unit four years ago, the pin industry of Britain was having a slump. Shingled hair had hit the hairpin trade badly, although permanent waves brought in a big new trade with hairdressers themselves. Gone were the days when it took two mouthfuls of pins to make a woman's dress, for most women to-day buy dresses ready-made, mass-manufactured by a process that needs few pins at all. Sales dropped by 20 per cent. for that reason alone.

But that was not the true cause of the slump. Sales of £302,000 in 1922 fell to £297,000 in 1927 because of a flood of foreign pins from the Continent. The pin king of the world, William Prym, with his huge factory near Aachen, his private railway station, his own smelting works, was deposed by the English market. By the twentieth generation of a William Prym who emigrated in 1859, and started making pins by hand in Aachen.

On the Continent, Prym was having trouble with Walder, originally a snaphastener man, post-war Czechoslovakian venturer into pin markets, with factories at Prague and Dresden. But in England they sank differences, and helped by a big German Government subsidy, systematically undercut the Beards. The Goodmans, the Taylors and such. In desperation, English pin-makers began to undercut too. To lose they formed an association to stabilise prices, and twice, owing to Prym and Walder, it was abandoned in favour of more price-cutting. In 1937 English makers sold nearly half their products abroad, while the country imported £50,000 worth of German, Czech and other pins.

English pin-makers asked for protection. A Board of Trade Committee sat, and reported the industry too small to get a tariff. Prym and Walder sent more pins, and by 1930 imports totalled £35,000 in value. Then came the general tariff barriers of 1932, and pins got an import duty of 33 1-3 per cent. Imports crashed to £13,000 in 1932, £12,000 in 1934. Walder was practically out of it; Prym got about £5,000 worth of trade, which, with his subsidy, he continues to get.

But since 1932 the eight principal English pin manufacturers, excluding safety-pin specialists, re-formed their association to stabilise prices. Now they make most of the five thousand million sold-head pins, the six million lbs. of safety pins and the 370 million hairpins which Great Britain

But the essential condition must be present. The soul must believe in God. It must obey God. It must humble itself before Him and purify its life. "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God."

Prayer is not the monopoly of any creed or any sect. I am ready to pray with any believer in God. I felt the presence of God in the Mosque of Omar in Jerusalem—the Dome of the Rock.

I felt it in the Church of the Nativity at Bethlehem. I wish I could say I felt it in the Church of the Holy Sepulchre in Jerusalem, where the warring sects hate each other.

I felt the true awe of holy power in the Parthenon. It was not merely the classical tradition which I felt. It was religious awe. It was the presence of God.

I felt it even as I gazed at the ruin of the Temple of Eleusis. God was there. The Eleusinian mysteries were a religious revelation.

In Nature the presence of God is felt by the religious vision. He is everywhere, in everything.

I CANNOT explain the mystery of prayer or the process by which God answers prayer. But for me the proof is more than sufficient.

Science is groping after the secrets of the electrons and protons and neutrons and photons which constitute the microcosmic universe of the atom. It is startled by the discovery that there is an unforeseeable and unpredictable behaviour in the secret heart of Nature.

Prayer brings new forces into play. It is the play of these new forces that we call answers to prayer. If we could gather evidence of answers to prayer from all believers in prayer the world would be astonished.

and her customers use each year. Sales last year were well over £400,000.

The pin that the housewife unthinkingly sticks into her dress, the banker into a pile of papers, has a history longer than that of almost any domestic article. When man emerged from prehistory to the state of having something to pin together, he plucked a thorn from a bush; bronze pins are frequent relics of the bronze age. By 1483 they were sufficiently important in England to become a protected industry, but for more than a century they still came mostly from France, expensive articles for which rich merchants gave their wives a special allowance, thereafter called "pin money."

Three centuries ago, enterprising John Tilsley started making pins in Gloucestershire, for long the home of the industry. There were still handmade and expensive, although by Charles II's reign they had been beaten down to 1s. for 300. Then, early in the nineteenth century, came the inevitable machine, and the consolidation of three firms, which still survive, with modern rivals, as pin-makers.

There are three materials to-day for pins—brass, steel and iron. Brass, rustproof and expensive, are the class pins, manufactured in one process, and then acid-whitened. Steel have sharper points, but, from soft wire, they take four processes, forming, hardening, tempering and colouring. It takes five days to make a steel pin, and it costs more than brass. Cheaper steel pins are made from hard wire direct, but are not so sharp. Iron pins are cheapest, plated and rust-proofed, although nobody here can discover a process to equal Prym's. Processes in this industry are dead secrets, machines are made in private work shops, and not even patented, lest they be copied.

Pins range through long catalogue sheets from the 3½in. blanket pins to the tiny nickel pins that entomologists stick through butterflies. These cost 12s. an ounce, a lot of money for an ounce of pins, but a lot of pins to the ounce, about 4,500. A few ounces furnish a museum.

Who uses all these pins? Everybody. Railways and the Government lease huge contracts. Banks and insurance companies, who must pin many papers together, can order Great at a time. So can many pawnbrokers, who use so many to pin beads tickets on, that a special pin bears their name. This trade booms every year just before Christmas. Pin-makers buy long, thin pins, on which to twist hand-made lace, furs, or use huge quantities to pin furs out to dry. Pin-makers are the people who would like flag-days every day, for to each flag, a pin.

As the pin-makers point out, from the pin in the baby's napkin to the pin in the burial shroud, their products go right through a man's life. It is a small, but a vital trade.



## Personalities of Old Hongkong

## HONGKONG-BORN BRITON MADE GOOD

Sir W. Hillier  
Achieved Fame  
In Diplomacy

By T. Paul Gregory

OF THE MANY PERSONS OF EUROPEAN DESCENT WHO WERE BORN IN HONGKONG, FEW CAN CLAIM THE HONOUR OF SUCCESSFUL CAREERS OF ACHIEVEMENT WHICH HAVE RENDERED THEIR NAMES ILLUSTRIOUS IN THE ANNALS OF HIS MAJESTY'S DIPLOMATIC SERVICE.

During last century there was one of the Colony's native sons who became a leading diplomat of the time, and whose name is still remembered for his manifold efforts in bringing about a better understanding between ancient Cathay and the nations of the West. This was Sir Walter Caine Hillier, an outstanding sinologue of his day.

Sir Walter C. Hillier was born in Hongkong in 1849. He was the son of Charles Batten and Eliza Mary (Medhurst) Hillier. His parents were highly educated folk, and, what was remarkable in those days for Europeans, both possessed an extensive knowledge and interest in the Chinese language and the Chinese idiom, and were warm friends of the Chinese inhabitants.

The father, moreover, was a man who had, in the space of five years, advanced from the position of a former ship's mate to Chief Magistrate of the Colony—a truly remarkable achievement, perhaps, unprecedented in the annals of old Hongkong. The mother was the daughter of the Rev. Walter H. Medhurst, D.D., of the London Missionary Society of Shanghai, who was famed for his enterprise in compiling one of the first Chinese-English dictionaries, which for many years was a standard work in all the foreign consulates along the China coast.

## EDUCATED AT HOME

In view of such a cultural heritage, it is not surprising that the son, Sir Walter, should decide to make the acquisition of the Chinese language his serious purpose in life, and to devote his knowledge to the service of the Crown. Perhaps the parents foresaw their son's laudable ambition; for they decided to give him an excellent education at home.

He was first sent to the Bedford Grammar School, and later to Blundell's School at Exeter in Devon. After his graduation from the latter institution, at the age of eighteen he entered the Diplomatic Service as a student interpreter of Chinese.

## CONSUL GENERAL IN KOREA

In 1891, Sir Walter obtained recognition for his years of studious effort in the important diplomatic appointment as Consul-General at Seoul, Korea. This Asiatic country which had long remained the closed "Hermit Kingdom" had been opened to Britain by the Treaty of 1854, and Sir Walter, like those other intelligent and able representatives of the greatest of all colonising powers,

left an indelible impression upon the country and the people. The years of his sojourn in that unhappy land, where intrigue was rife and where almost every event seemed to foretell the inevitable annexation of the kingdom to Japan, were occupied, more or less, in consolidating the privileges which had been granted to Britain by treaty, and also, it must be confessed, in playing a shrewd diplomatic game with Russia.

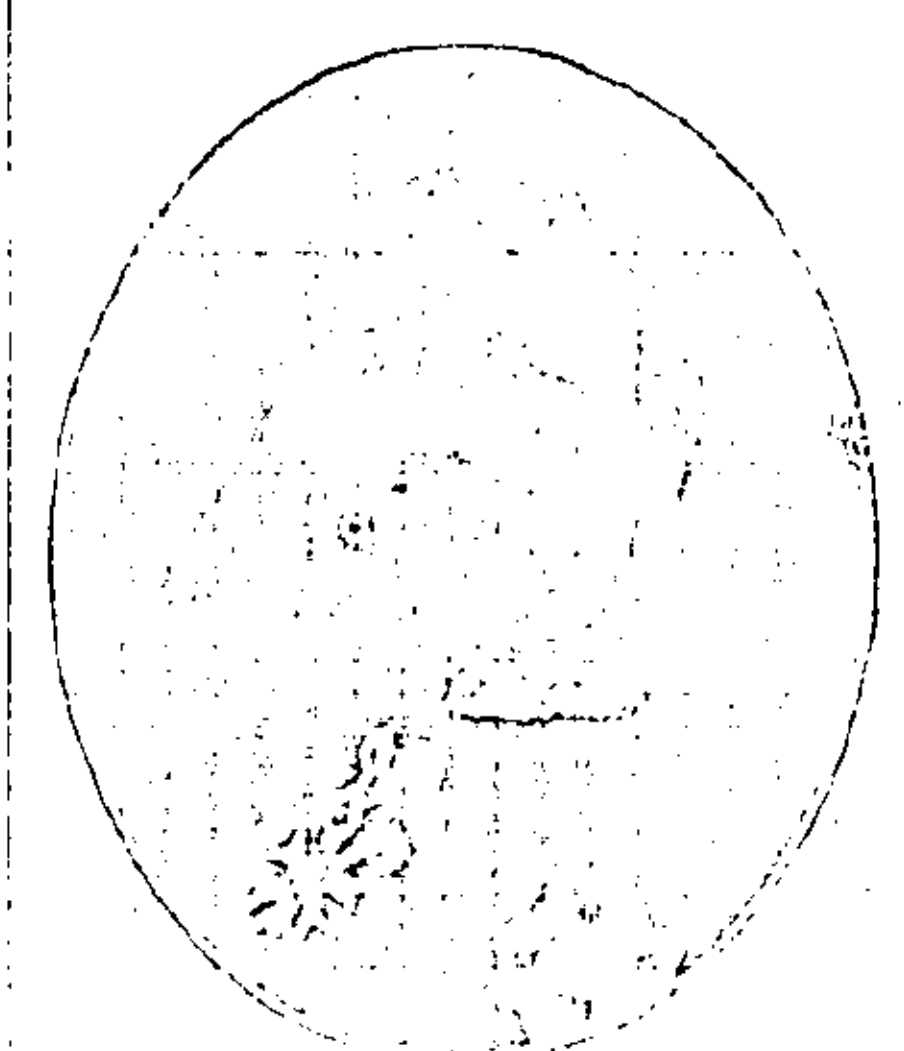
After his retirement from the service in 1896, Sir Walter returned to England, where he was knighted by Queen Victoria, who made him a K.C.M.G.

## RETIREMENT IRKSOME

Unlike many of his colleagues who looked forward to their years of retirement, he, however, found it rather irksome, and consequently looked forward to the time when he could be "in harness" once more.

At length in 1900, upon the outbreak of the Boxer Rebellion, his opportunity to serve in China again came with his appointment as Political Officer to the China Expeditionary Force. His services in this campaign were rewarded with the bestowal of a medal, and the further nomination as Acting Secretary to the Legation at Peking.

Upon his return home in 1903, he was nominated a C.B. (Civil Division), and was also invited to occupy the Chair of Professor of Chinese Language and Literature in King's College of the University of London. He did not long continue to teach there; for the call to the East was



SIR W. HILLIER

once again too strong to be resisted. Therefore, we find him leaving the quiet halls of the University to accept the appointment as Military Adviser to the Chinese Government which he held until the fall of the Manchu regime in 1911.

It is as a writer upon Chinese subjects that Sir Walter is best remembered to posterity; for all his varied work and as such are justly stated to be veritable mines of information to every earnest student of this difficult Oriental tongue. They are as follows:

"The Chinese Language and How to Learn It," 2 vols. (1894).

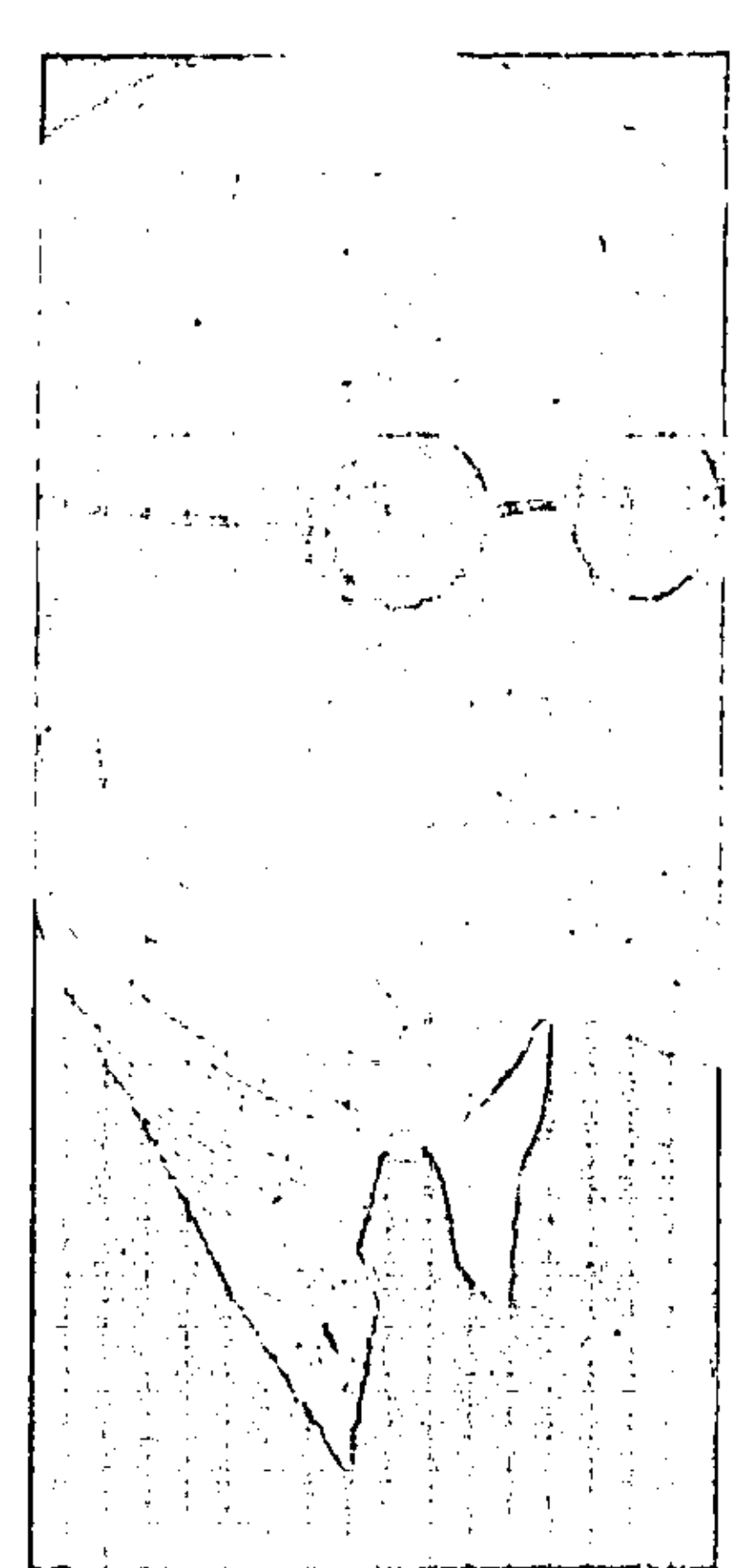
"A English-Chinese Dictionary of the Peking Colloquial" (1910).

In addition, he collaborated with Sir Thomas Wade, in the writing of what has been called the most admirable guide manual of students of the language—the "Yu Yen Tzu Fih Chien," a work which for many years has been considered a standard for all students of the Peking variety of Colloquial Chinese.

## DIED AN OCTOGENARIAN

Sir Walter, moreover, retained an active interest in his favourite Chinese studies until a very advanced age, and up to the time of his death, at the age of eighty, on November 9, 1927 at his residence at The Oaks, Bracknell, in Berkshire, he could yet converse with ease in any one of the dozen dialects of the Chinese tongue which he had mastered during his long and studious life-time.

Sir Walter Hillier ranks with those other great English sinologists—Dr. James Legge, Sir Thomas Wade and Prof. Herbert Giles—as a mighty triumvirate through whose combined effort practically all the exploratory work was done in the herculean task of making China known to the West. Indeed, it is on this account that his splendid career of achievement is lauded by all admirers of the scholarly man who composed the British Diplomatic Service.

LEAVING COLONY  
ON RETIREMENT

MR. A. STEVENSON, former Manager of the Dairy Farm Company, who is leaving Hongkong on retirement this week.—Mae Cheung, Photo.

Philippines'  
Future Must  
Be StudiedCongressman Wants  
Examination Of  
Independence Bill

Washington, Mar. 29. Representative Karl Stefan from the floor of the House to-day, proposed congressional study of the neutralisation provisions in the Philippine independence measure, in order intelligently to understand the entire situation.

Representative Stefan introduced for congressional record Major-General W. C. River's letter favouring termination of the United States political relations with the Philippines, due to the military vulnerability of the islands.

Representative Stefan said he favoured the changed provisions of the independence bill, and he believed the House must legislate to affect the bill's political provisions. He said the Insular Committee might consider the Joint Committee's economic recommendation. If they were presented before the adjournment, but they were not likely to consider other legislation.

Representative Stefan favoured stopping discussion on the matter due to the fact that it hurt the Philippine morale. He said: "The talk of extending sovereignty indefinitely is inspired by vested interests, whereas the talk of immediate independence is encouraged by politicians wishing to open a political rift at the expense of the economic welfare of a whole island."

Meanwhile, it is learned that the National Dairy Union will support the bill. The Union's support is inspired by vested interests, whereas the talk of immediate independence is encouraged by politicians wishing to open a political rift at the expense of the economic welfare of a whole island."

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FAMOUS BASEBALL  
OWNER DIES

Brunswick, Ga., Mar. 29. The death occurred suddenly, from heart failure, today of Colonel Timothy Hutton, one-time half owner of the New York Yankees baseball club. He was instrumental in bringing the club back to the Yankees.—United Press.

DO-18 LANDS 450  
MILES FROM RIO

Rio de Janeiro, Mar. 29. The German flying boat, the DO-18, landed at Cavall, 450 miles north-east of Rio de Janeiro. It is presumed the machine's fuel had run low.—United Press.

The DO-18 was catapulted from the deck of a freighter in the English Channel for a non-stop flight to Brazil.

MANY STATES ADOPT U.S.  
REFUGEE PROPOSALS

Washington, Mar. 29. The State Department announced that Brazil, the Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Haiti, Mexico, Peru, Uruguay, and Venezuela, and France had responded favourably to the Austrian refugee assistance proposal.—United Press.

REFUGEES  
GOOD FOR  
THEATRESCause Considerable  
Business Increase

A most satisfactory year was reported at the eighth annual general meeting of the China Entertainment and Land Investment Company Ltd., held at King's Theatre Building to-day.

The chairman, Sir Shouson Chow, remarked that the working account showed an increase of approximately 20 per cent. over that of the previous year, due largely to the influx of refugees from China during the last few months of the year.

Total amount available for distribution is \$72,201.59, and the directors had recommended a dividend of 40 cents per share.

The chairman said: "The Report of your Directors and Statement of Accounts for the year ending December 31, 1937, together with the Auditor's Report having been in your hands for the prescribed period, I propose, with your permission, to treat them as read."

## THEATRES THRIVE

Owing to the large influx of refugees from China during the last few months of the year, as a result of the hostilities in North and Central China, the local cinema theatres have benefited from this additional patronage, and there has in consequence been a marked improvement in their business. I am therefore pleased to inform shareholders that the balance of our working account shows an increase of approximately 20 per cent. over that of the previous year. Considering the high rentals paid by the cinema theatres to the film distributors and the keen competition among the theatres themselves, as well as from various other attractions such as Chinese theatrical performances and the dancing halls, I think you will agree that the Company has done as well as could be expected and that the year's working can be considered to be satisfactory.

Coming to our Land Investment Department, it gives me pleasure to report that all the shops and offices in our building have been fully occupied throughout the year at reasonable rentals, in spite of the fact that accommodation in so many other buildings was available.

## ACCOUNT CLOSED

Turning to the accounts, I would draw attention to the item of \$10,210.52 written off from investment account. This is the balance from the Cinema Ltd., which formerly operated the Queen's Theatre, and with this final writing off the account is closed.

The amount written off fixtures, equipment and building is \$34,193.90, after which the balance of net profit for the year is \$67,765.66, to which must be added \$4,515.93 balance brought forward from the previous year, making the total amount available for distribution \$72,201.59. Your Directors recommended placing to general reserve \$25,000 and payment of a dividend of 40 cents per share, absorbing \$39,943.20, leaving a balance of \$7,338.39 to be carried forward to next account.

I now her formally to propose that the Report of the Directors and the Accounts for the year ending December 31, 1937, as presented, be adopted; and after this has been recorded, I shall be pleased to answer to the best of my ability any questions shareholders may wish to ask.

The report and accounts were then seconded by Mr. Sun Wing-ikwong.

## RE ELECTED TO BOARD

The re-election of Mr. Chang Kwai-chung and Mr. Chang Kwai-yuen as directors was confirmed on the motion of Mr. Ngan Sai-leung, seconded by Mr. Li Lin-chi.

Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming were re-elected as auditors on the proposal of Mr. Hong So-yin seconded by Mr. Chang Kwai-ping. These appointments were confirmed by Mr. Chow (Chairman), Dr. S. Y. Pao, Messrs. Chang Kwai-yuen, Li Lin-chi, George Sun, Chang Kwai-on, Li Jow-on, Loong Chi-huo, and Chang Kwai-in (Directors), Messrs. Ngan Sai-leung, Cheng Kwai-ping, and Sun Wing-ikwong (Shareholders).

MORE RUSSIANS  
EXECUTED

Moscow, Mar. 29. The newspaper, Kuznetsk, dated March 23, has revealed that 19 leaders of the Kozak Republic, including President Kulumbertov, have been executed following a secret colloquium which ended on March 6.

The men were convicted of holding membership in the Trotsky and Bukharinist organizations, and were thus linked with the recent Moscow trials.—United Press.

## DIVAN KEEPER CONVICTED

Fines totalling to \$285 or, in default, eight months' imprisonment was imposed on Wal Fong, 30, by Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy this morning for possession of opium and keeping an opium divan at a house in Possession Street.

RADIO  
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Other London Relays

## BEETHOVEN CONCERTO

Radio Broadcast by ZBW on Frequencies of 8.45 k.c/s; 9.52 m.c/s. per second.

6.0-7.0 Chinese Programme.

7.0 Dance Music.

Quickstep—Shy (Strauss—Daley).

Victor Silverster and His Ballroom Orchestra; Fox-Trot—Once In A While (Green—Edwards); Waltz—Giannina Mia (From 'Fidelity').

Victor Silverster and His Ballroom Orchestra; Fox-Trot—So Many Memories (Woods); Waltz—Don't Forget The Old Folks At Home (Noel—Poland).

Billy Thorburn and His Music with vocal refrain.

7.17 Closing local Stock Quotations.

7.23 London Relay—The Stow-away.

A play for broadcasting by R. Matthews.

The 'Orchus', a nondescript tramp steamer of about 3,500 tons, is 40 hours out from port when a mysterious stowaway is discovered on board.

Production by Leslie Stoker.

7.45 Excerpts from Gilbert & Sullivan.

'Patience'—Prithce, Pretty Maiden.

Winifred Lawson—Leslie Rands Duet with Orchestra; Let The Merry Cymbals Sound (Finale, Act 1).

D. Oldham—D. Pincourt—M. Green—G. Baker and Chorus of Girls and Dragons with Orch.; Stay, We Implore You (Finale, Act 1).

D. Pincourt—D. Oldham—G. Baker and Mixed Chorus with Orchestra; Oh, Fortune, To My Aching Heart Be Kind (Finale, Act 1 Cont.); G. Baker—B. Lewis—W. Lawson—D. Pincourt—M. Green—M. Eyre, N. Briceville with Orchestra.

Time Signal, Weather and Announcements.

8.03 A Variety Programme: Vocal Drinks All Round—Columbia Vocal Gem Company with two Pianists; Piano Solo—Charlie Kunz Piano Medley No. D. 11—Charlie Kunz with Rhythm Accompany; Humorous—The Ole In The Ark (Marriott Edgar); Stanley Holloway with Piano; Orchestra—The Happy Whistler (Baptiste—Alexander); Bijou Accordion Orchestra with whistling; Humorous—Jonah And The Grampus (Marriott Edgar); Stanley Holloway with Piano; Orchestra—Souvenir Of Love—Fox-Trot (From 'Sailing Along'); Trusting My Luck—Fox-Trot (From 'Sailing Along'); Roy Fox And His Orch.; vocal refrain by Denny Dennis; Orchestra—True Confession—Fox-Trot (From the film) There's A Gold Mine In The Sky—Fox-Trot (C. and N. Kenny); Roy Fox And His Orchestra; vocal refrain by Denny Dennis.

8.45 London Relay—Monkey Wrenches In The Trade Machine—2.

A talk by Sir Josiah Stamp, C.B., C.M.G.

9.0 London Relay—In and Out of Rhythm.

Round 1.

A contest between sweet and swing music with Len Hayes (sweet) and Dinah Miller (swing); Referred by John Dodsworth and supported by The Beau Brummels.

9.30 London Relay—The News.

9.50 Songs by Dennis Noble (Hostess).

She Shall Have Music (H. J. Brandon & Alan Murray); Son O' Mine (From 'Freemason Songs'); The Rebel (From 'Freemason Songs').

10.0 London Relay—Journey To Seilly.

An account of a visit made to the Islands in early March, 1938.

10.20 Beethoven—Concerto No. 5 In E Flat Major, Op. 23.

Played by Arthur Schnabel (Piano) and the London Symphony Orchestra conducted by Dr. Malcolm Sargent.

11.0 Close Down.

TRIED SUICIDE  
IN HOSPITAL

That a woman had attempted to commit suicide while she was a patient at the Kowloon Government Civil Hospital on March 10, was revealed to-day when Leung Shui-ching, 32, was charged before Mr. K. M. A. Barnett at the Kowloon Magistracy. On application by the police, a week's formal remand was granted.

Facts of the case were not given, but Leung is alleged to have tried to end her life by jumping from a first floor verandah.

## STUDENT ROBBED

C. Hecogood, a student of the Central British School, reported to the police yesterday that his clothing, a watch, and a watch, worth \$57 altogether, were stolen from a locked locker in the South China Athletic Association pavilion, Caroline Hill, during the heats of the Inter-School sports.

## BARBED WIRE STOLEN

The theft of 47 bundles of barbed wire, valued at \$100, from a godown at Nimcheung Street, Kowloon City, was reported to the police yesterday by Mr. R. Woodcraft, of Malcolm and Company.

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Sanctuary of the Heart.  
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SHOP-KEEPERS  
WARNED TO  
STAMP RECEIPTS

A warning to shop-keepers that he would in future impose heavier sentences for similar offences, was issued by Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at the Kowloon Magistracy to-day when he fined several men for having issued receipts improperly stamped.

Seven persons were charged and each fined \$10.

Li Chiu-shu (Po Lon), of Hollywood Road, was fined \$20 for having unlawfully evaded stamp duty by executing two receipts instead of one.

Det.-Sergeant J. G. Whitcroft assisted by Det.-Sergeant B. Granger prosecuted.

BELGIUM RECOGNISES  
ETHIOPIA CONQUEST

Rome, Mar. 29. The Belgian Ambassador, Count Andre Kerchov de Denterghem, presented his credentials as envoy to the King of Italy and Emperor of Ethiopia, thereby recognising the conquest of Ethiopia.—United Press.

Shanghai Denounces  
Nanking Regime

Hankow, Mar. 29. Chinese bodies in Shanghai have issued a manifesto voicing their opposition to the government organised in Nanking yesterday.

The manifesto, which was published in most Chinese papers, urged the Chinese people to continue resistance to Japan.—Central News.

Agitation  
For United  
Japan Party  
Prince Konoye  
Key Man

Tokyo, Mar. 30. Following the closing of the Diet, scores of Japanese parliamentarians met late on Monday to discuss a merger of all political parties into a single national organisation.

The single party movement is strongly advocated by the fighting services, which emphasize the necessity of a united front in the Sino-Japanese conflict which is expected to continue for some time.

The consensus of opinion in various circles is that the new party movement would be successful by merger of all existing political groups if the Premier accepted the chairmanship of a united party. No hope is held for the movement, however, if Prince Konoye refuses to come forward to support it.—Reuter Special.

REPUBLICANS IN DANGER  
OF DISINTEGRATION

Newark, N.J., Mar. 29. Mr. John D. Hamilton, Secretary to the Republican Party, told a Republican meeting that the Republicans must win the autumn congressional elections or the party was in danger of disintegration.—United Press.



# LAST YEAR'S TENNIS DOUBLES FINAL RE-ENACTED

## RUMJAHNS BEAT TEDDY FINCHER AND W. C. HUNG

### BRILLIANT VOLLEYING FEATURES ENCOUNTER

(By "Abc")

Last year's doubles final was re-enacted on the stand court of the Hongkong C.C. yesterday afternoon when S.A. and H.D. Rumjahns defeated E. C. Fincher and W. C. Hung in the Colony Tennis Championships; but whereas last year's match was in the final and lasted four sets, yesterday's was in the fourth round of the tournament and was finished in two.

The cousins won by 6-2, 7-5, and were extremely lucky to terminate the match in two sets; three times Fincher and Hung had set point but failed to win the vital stroke and the Rumjahns then went along to their victory which, however, was not as decisive as the score might suggest.

It was a pity that the two combinations clashed in such comparatively early stages of the competition. On their first match yesterday, both pairs deserved to enter the semi-finals, and it was bad luck on the part of Fincher and Hung that they had to meet the Rumjahns before the penultimate round was reached.

The match produced a high standard of play, several splendid rallies being seen. Had Fincher not been off-colour, the game would have been considerably closer. It would be unfair to say that Hung fought a single-handed battle; but at the same time, it could justly be said that Fincher's support was not everything it should have been. Teddy was definitely the weak link and the Rumjahns, the fine tacticians that they are, played upon it.

#### HUNG SHINES

Almost throughout the match, Hung stood head and shoulders above the other three men on the court. At the net he had no equal, out-volleying even "H.D.", which is high tribute indeed. His smashing too was in fine order, and he obtained an angle to his overhead shots which none of the other three could emulate.

While Hung lost only one service in the course of the match, Fincher lost four out of five. In fact, Fincher never seemed quite happy during the whole of the encounter.

Notoriously slow starters as a rule, the Rumjahns jumped into the best form right away and played extremely steadily throughout. Their volleying at times was reminiscent of their best days and their driving was more accurate than has been the case for a long while, but their overhead play still remained their weakest point.

With both pairs taking the net at the slightest opportunity, some fine volleying duels were witnessed. Hung was seen to best advantage here often scoring with splendid placements.

#### HOW GAMES WENT

Fincher lost both his services in the first set and the Rumjahns took it with the loss of but two games. The second started on a promising note for Fincher and Hung. They won the first game and after the Rumjahns had drawn level, Fincher won his service for the first time, and with

Sirdar losing his, the K.C.C.-C.R.C. combination went into a lead of 3-1, which was increased to 4-1 on Hung's service. When Hung had service again, he and his partner were leading 5-3—a good opportunity for him to clinch the set, but for the first time in the match he failed to hold it. Fincher and Hung were still leading 5-4 when H.D. had service. This proved to be the longest and most exciting game of the match. Three times Fincher and Hung had set point and each time they failed to score the vital point. When the Rumjahns had annexed the game to tie the scores, Fincher again lost his service and Sirdar went on to finish the game and match.

#### TSUI WAI-PUI THROUGH

Tsui Wai-pui, favourite for the singles title, entered the quarter-finals at the expense of W. Sander, who obtained only one game in two sets.

Paul Kong, another entry from the C.R.C., also went into the last eight with a victory over a club-mate, F. H. Kwok.

The most dour struggle of the day was that between Leong Ping-chiu and S. W. Liang, both from the C.R.C. It was an interesting match because of the contrast in style. While Leong was strong in his forehand, Liang was weak; but whereas the former's backhand was not reliable, the latter's was extremely so.

Some of the rallies were long but they were always interesting. The match went to three sets, and ended in a win for Leong Ping-chiu. The loser was unlucky with some of his shots which either just failed to clear the net or went inches outside.

#### Scores:

#### OPEN SINGLES

Tsui Wai-pui beat W. Sander 6-1, 6-0.

Paul Kong beat F. H. Kwok 6-2, 6-2.

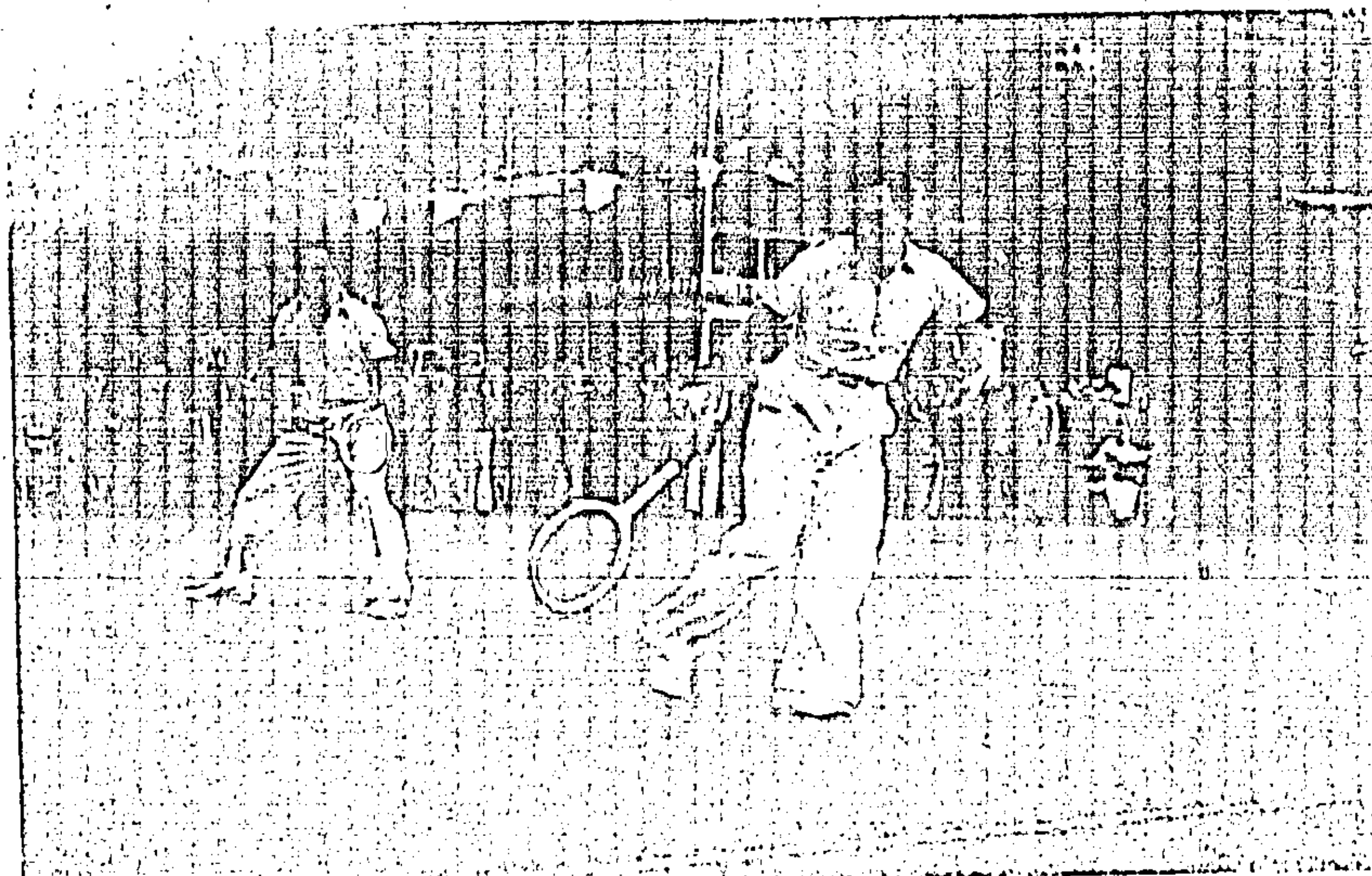
Leong Ping-chiu beat S. W. Liang 6-4, 3-6, 6-2.

#### OPEN DOUBLES

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#### TO DAY'S PROGRAMME

The most interesting match to-day will be the singles tie between W. C. Hung and George Choa in the second round of the singles. The latter is a promising player, but it is doubtful whether he has progressed enough to be any threat to Hung, who is playing very well at the moment. Some fine play is assured.



S. A. and H. D. Rumjahns, in play against E. C. Fincher and W. C. Hung in the quarter-finals of the Colony Tennis Doubles Championship on the Hongkong C. C. stand court yesterday. They won the match by 6-2, 7-5. (Photo: Mee Cheung).

## SCRAP CUP BONUSES

### New Scale Inciting Players To Turn Ties Into Money Making Racket

By Arbiter (Frank M. Carruthers)

London, Feb. 23.

The new scale Cup bonuses ought to be scrapped. To say to a player "There is £16 if you win this match" is simply an incitement to him to turn the ties into a money-making racket in which the spirit of the game is submerged in the ferocity of the conflict.

I say this deliberately after having been in contact with teams struggling and fighting with a desperation which I have never known before, and I do not believe there is a club who have been engaged in the late stages of the competition who are not conscious of the dangers which have been set up.

It is too late to protest against the way in which clubs embark on their Cup conquests as a means to make extra money, but this is the first time that the players have been allowed to enter into the competition with the same opportunity of cash gain, and the underlying principle of the greatest event in the world is being undermined.

It was never intended that the Cup should have any tangible value. It is not worth more than £25. The honour of winning it was the prize. Players were happy to receive the medals they received as symbols of achievement in reaching the final.

#### PAID BY RESULTS

Now much more is at stake for the players. In addition to any honour they may win, they are invited to seize the chance to go, after the money, and it is not surprising that they have accepted it.

The footballer, in fact, has been put in much the same position as the boxer, paid by results and induced to make the same calls on his combative physical forces. And football is a game, not a fight, the position nor its dangers.

As Hobbs, the Charlton forward, lay on the stretcher waiting to be taken to hospital with a broken leg, it was remarked, in an attempt to cheer him, "Never mind, Harold, you are still on the bonus." At that time Charlton were beating Aston Villa.

#### F.A. RESPONSIBILITY

Can there be any doubt from the remark, though it was made lightly, heartily, that the bonus is the player's obsession?

I would, however, make it clear I do not imply play in the game at Highbury was in any way unfair.

What is the position of the Football Association in the matter? It is their competition, but they did not institute the bonus system. They have always said "The finances of the clubs and the game are no concern of ours. The clubs (meaning the League) must settle these for themselves."

But it is their responsibility to see that nothing shall happen to injure the competition.

I think, too, that the League clubs will be bound to review the position, for there has never been a season when their own matches have been so plainly subordinated to the Cup ties through the attitude of the players towards them.

If men are to get three times as much from a Cup-tie as a League match nothing else is to be expected.

#### STEEL, COULSON DANCE ARRANGED

The annual Steel, Coulson Billiards and Snooker League dance will be held in the China Elect Theatre on Wednesday, April 6, from 8.30 p.m. to 1 a.m. Admission will be by invitation only.

#### Lawn Tennis

### CHINA'S BIG DAY AT NICE

#### Miss Hoahing Beats Mme. Mathieu

By A. Wallis Myers

Nice, Feb. 19.

China captured all the limelight at Nice to-day. First Kho Sin Kie entered the final of the men's singles by a conclusive victory over Robertson; then after a marathon match, whose home is at Twickenham, astonished herself, parents and crowd by defeating Mme. Mathieu, holder of the South of France championship.

Hilberto Mme. Mathieu had been a ruthless conqueror of all young players on the Riviera including Senorita Lizana.

The Chinese girl, in her 17th year, won 6-4, 1-6, 13-11. This was Mme. Mathieu's first hard singles match this year. She has recently recovered from jaundice. Even so Mme. Mathieu was the acme of steadiness and determination until Miss Hoahing, by ubiquitous court-covering and extraordinary precision, virtually drained her stamina. The Chinese girl, by playing mixed doubles with hard-hitting men during the winter, has gained pace on her service and drive and although still tentative overhead, owing to small stature, offers no loophole in her defence.

#### BEAUTIFUL FOOTWORK

She was particularly adroit in anticipating Mme. Mathieu's many drop-shots. Her beautiful footwork aided the efficient reply. In handling the French champion's drives she showed discretion, not attempting to volley, but racing back to renew a driving rally. The third set had crises for both; it was the stubborn bout ever seen at Nice.

Mme. Mathieu led 5-4 and had three match-balls on Miss Hoahing's service. Each time by cool, gallant retrieving the Chinese girl forced back-hand errors. At 6-6 Mme. Mathieu, apparently exhausted, served two double-faults, giving Miss Hoahing the lead.

Inscrutable as ever Miss Hoahing, serving to her distracted opponent the fruit was there to pluck, but apparently score-conscious for the first time Miss Hoahing threw away a great chance by serving a double-fault and nervously mistiming a drive.

This unexpected reprieve gave Mme. Mathieu new heart and energy. She returned to fight and played

#### Grimsby Defeated On Own Ground

London, Mar. 29.

Despite the advantage of playing on their own ground, Grimsby lost to Sunderland today in the First Division of the English Football League by two goals to nil.—Reuter.

resolutely and well for 12 more games. Miss Hoahing was equally firm and resourceful and, after saving another match-ball she forged ahead and won her final game (the 24th of the set) to love, Mme. Mathieu driving out in despair to finish the match.

#### MISS HOAHING WINS AGAIN

Nice, Feb. 20. Miss Hoahing entered the final to-day, defeating Miss Valerie Scott, 8-6, 6-3. Repeating after yesterday the Chinese girl opened unsteadily and Miss Scott's clever angled volleys carried her to 5-1.

The English girl then made a sequence of errors and Miss Hoahing won five successive games, subsequently controlling the match by dipping drives.

Miss Wheeler won the other semi-final, beating Mlle. Welvers, 6-4, 2-6, 6-3. It was the first time the American had shown her home form and it was Mlle. Welvers' first reverse in four tournaments.

Ellmer beat Meiclin to challenge Kho Sin Kie for the men's title tomorrow.

#### FRENCH TITLE FOR MISS SAUNDERS

Paris, Feb. 20. Miss Jean Saunders (Great Britain) and K. Schroeder (Sweden) won the French covered courts mixed doubles titles here to-day, beating Mlle. Barbler and J. Lesueur (France) by 6-0, 6-3 in the final.

In the final of the women's doubles Miss Saunders and Mlle. Barbler lost to Mlle. Pannetier and Lebailly, 6-1, 1-6, 6-4.

There was a surprise in the final of the men's singles when Y. Petra, the young French player, beat Schroeder, favourite for the title, by 6-7, 7-5, 3-6, 8-6.—Reuter.

#### ARMY BOXING

The Army Novices Individual Boxing Finals which are to be held at Murray Barracks on Thursday, March 31, will now begin at 9 p.m. and not at 8 p.m. as previously advertised. There will also be several exhibition bouts during the evening. A charge of \$1 will be made for admission.

## F. A. NEARS 75th BIRTHDAY

The Football Association will be 75 years old on October 26, and although it is not intended to celebrate the three-quarter century until October 31, members are already talking over plans for the form it will take.

One thing is certain: they are going to hold a banquet which will equal, if it does not eclipse, the still green memory of the Jubilee dinner held in 1913.

Wherever two or three members of the F.A. are gathered together, ideas are suggested for the birthday party. One idea—as yet quite unofficial—is a match between Great Britain and the Rest of Europe; a composite team from the four home countries playing an international side of French, Czech, Hungarians, Germans, Austrians, Dutch, Belgians, Scandinavians.

The Football Association, although it has passed its "three score years and ten," is still growing.

#### ROMANS KNEW IT

The game which has ramified all over Europe and is gaining ground rapidly in America was only first formalised in 1863 in the "Free-masons' Tavern, Great Queen Street. There were few organisations at that "christening" when soccer—which has a tradition that extends back to the Romans—first gained official recognition.

There were only a handful of clubs present in 1863—the few who liked the "dribbling" game as opposed to the "handling" game.

Even so late as 1890, a great match would draw between 20,000 and 30,000 people. And now an ordinary League match can attract twice as many, and the record crowd for a match in Great Britain is 149,547.

What wonder that the F.A. is to have a really big birthday party?

## Islington Corinthians Back Again

### Meeting South China This Afternoon

After spending three weeks in Manila, the Islington Corinthians, the English football touring amateur team returned to Hongkong this morning by the Empress of Japan.

Playing on March 20 against an All-Manila eleven, led by Alex Boisserie, former Shanghai and Inter-port star, the Islington Corinthians were beaten by three goals to nil their first defeat since January 5, when they lost to a Burma XI by a goal to nil.

The Islington will appear again this afternoon in a return exhibition match against the South China A.A., whom they beat in the first encounter by 1-0. The game will be played at Caroline Hill, starting at 5.15 p.m.

The tourists will sail on the Empress of Japan on Friday, April 1, for Honolulu. From there they will go to the United States and Canada before returning to England.

A match will be played against Shanghai en route. The Shanghai F.A. is now busy making preparations for the visit and trials are being held to pick the best team available.

## PLENTY OF ROOM AVAILABLE AT CAROLINE HILL

We have been asked to point out that the public need not be afraid of falling to secure seats at Caroline Hill this afternoon for the return football match between the Islington Corinthians and South China Athletic Association.

There is plenty of room available, and the seats are being offered at the attractive prices of \$1.50 and \$1. It is hoped that the football-loving public of the Colony will turn out in full force to give the Corinthians a rousing farewell.

The tourists arrived from Manila this morning, several suffering from the effects of a rough passage, and others from minor injuries received while in Manila. However, it is expected the Corinthians will be able to turn out a very powerful combination this afternoon.



Mrs. Whyte-Smith and Mrs. Nig McGowan, champion and runner-up respectively at the annual spring meeting of the Ladies' Section of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club held at Fanling last week. In addition to winning the championship, Mrs. Whyte-Smith also won the Captain's Cup. (Photo: Ming Yuen).



SMILE OF VICTORY—C. P. O. Parsons, of H.M.S. Suffolk, winning the annual Kowloon Marathon yesterday in 35 mins. 43 secs. The course was over a distance of approximately 6 1/2 miles. There were 32 starters. (Photo: Staff Photographer).



## ONLY ONE KNOCK-OUT REGISTERED

Novices Semi-Finals Decided

Only one knock-out was registered in yesterday's fights in the semi-finals of the Army novices individual championships. Gunner Franklyn (5th A. A. Bde.) laying L/Cpl. Harris (M'sex) low in the second round. On Monday, Franklyn knocked out Pte. Seaton, also in the second round. Tomorrow in the finals he meets Spr. Spencer (R.E.).

A welterweight fight between Pte. McGreedy (R. Scots) and Pte. Eaton (M'sex), was the finest of the night. It was real fighting and a windmill mix-up right from the start. They hammered each other unmercifully. Points were scored with such rapidity that it was almost impossible to judge. Both earned the congratulations of the referee and the plaudits of the spectators, and it could only have been on the narrowest margin that McGreedy gained the decision.

Lightweight bouts opened the evening's programme. Pte. Chatten (M'sex) beat Pte. Bankier (R. Scots) on points. Chatten made Bankier gasp early in the first round with a hard short jab in the solar plexus. Crossing with his left, he sent Bankier sliding. His eagerness, however, earned him a warning for hitting low. Bankier had a swift left, but was ineffective against the quick-moving Chatten.

The second bout was nearly another knock-out, when Pte. Chacksfield (M'sex) sent Pte. Lushum (M'sex) to the boards for a count of eight in the third round. Lushum scored with a series of lefts to the face, but without force. Chacksfield on the other hand, with a rapid one-two left many an impression on his opponent. Chacksfield won.

Pte. McEain (R. Scots) had a queer method of boxing. He beat Pte. Coleman (M'sex) on points. Never watching his opponent's face or eyes, but concentrating on the movements of the feet, he lost several opportunities during the exchanges. Swinging where he thought his opponent's head was gave the impression of wildness.

### Polished Exhibition

Sapper Spencer (R.E.) gave the most polished exhibition of the evening in defeating Cpl. Lane (M'sex). He has the makings of a good boxer, but his weakness lies in his punch. His defence was good, and gave Lane little chance of reaching the "button."

Gunner Franklyn opened his bout with L/Cpl. Harris as though he really intended to emulate his performance the night before. Jabs, swings, upper-cuts were all mixed up in a rapid attack. Harris, however, was not the sole recipient of punishment. His blows lacked the force of Franklyn's, and taking one too many in the second round found him draped over the lower rope oblivious of what was happening around him.

Pte. Foulkes (M'sex) was seen to great advantage against Bdr. Page (5th A. A. Bde.), and won on points. His defence and ducking was nice to watch, and on many occasions made Page appear to swing wildly. His tactics carried him through the rounds and left him a definite winner. Page, however, was not outclassed, for it was only a superior defence which beat him.

### Tomorrow's Programme

The finals to be held at Murray Barracks to-morrow, will begin at 8 p.m. not 8 p.m. as previously announced.

In addition to the championship programme, several exhibition bouts have been arranged.

The programme is: Bantamweight.—Pte. Williams (M'sex) v. Pte. Toogood (R. Scots); Pte. Craig (R. Scots) v. Sigm. Kitcher (R. C. of Sigs.). Lightweight.—Pte. Chatten (M'sex) v. Pte. Chacksfield (M'sex). Welterweight.—Pte. McDain (R. Scots) v. Pte. McGreedy (R. Scots). Middleweight.—Spr. Spencer (R.E.) v. Gun. Franklyn (5th A. A. Bde.). Light-heavyweight.—Sig. Bedford (R.C. of Sigs.) v. Pte. Foulkes (M'sex). Heavyweight.—Pte. Izzard (M'sex) wins.

### Exhibition Bouts

Lightweight.—L/Cpl. Ellis (M'sex) v. Cpl. Elliot (R. Scots). Middleweight.—Two boxers from R. Scots. Light-heavyweight.—Bdr. Page (5th A. A. Bde.) v. Lieut. J. M. Calvert (R.E.). Welterweight.—Two boxers from R. Scots.

### BOXERS RANKED

Max Baer Takes Third Place In Heavyweight List

Washington, Mar. 28. The National Boxing Association quarterly official rankings have been issued. The heavyweight list has Joe Louis as champion, followed by Max Schmeling, Max Baer, Tony Galento, Tommy Farr, Nathan Mann, Bob Pastor, Burman, McCoy and Adamek. Baer has been elevated. John Henry Lewis tops the light-heavyweights, with Ginner second and Freddie Steele heads the middleweights from Corbett.

Others are: Welterweights.—Barney Ross, Garcia. Lightweights.—Lou Ambers, Pedro Montanez. Featherweights.—Henry Armstrong, Miller. Bantamweights.—Sixto Escobar, Pancho Villa. Flyweights.—Benny Lynch, Jackie

## FOOTBALL DIFFERENT IN MANILA

But Goal-keepers Impress English Tourists

(By "Abe")

"Football in Manila is different from anything I have seen in other parts of the world," said Mr. Tom Smith, Secretary-Manager of the Islington Corinthians, when I spoke to him this morning shortly after his arrival on the Empress of Japan with the other members of his touring side.

Mr. Smith amplified this statement by saying that the ideas of football in the Philippines seemed to him to be different altogether from, say a place like Hongkong. It was not that the players there were not up to standard; in fact he thought some of them were very fine players indeed, but they seemed to lack a complete understanding of soccer and how it should be played.

What impressed him most was the agility of the goal-keepers, some of whom were the finest he had ever seen. In some of the matches, the Corinthians sent in shots which would have beaten most goal-keepers at home but not the Filipino goal-keepers. They dived and saved them.

The popularity of basketball in the Philippines had a great deal to do with the development of good goal-keepers, Mr. Smith thought.

### POOR REFEREEING

The referees were very poor compared to those who officiated at the matches in Hongkong, and in most of the games they played in Manila the crowds were biased and expressed their feelings in no uncertain terms when things were not going the right way for their sides.

The Islington Corinthians played eight matches in Manila, winning four, drawing two and losing two. Both their defeats were by All-Manila, the first by 3-0 and the second, played on Sunday last, by 1-0.

The tourists will play two matches in Hongkong before they sail for Shanghai, Honolulu, United States and Canada. Their team to-day against South China will be: Forwards: Clark, Buchanan; Wright, Walfater, Bradbury; Reid, Tarrant, Sherwood, W. Miller and Pearce.

To-morrow the Islingtonians will meet a combined South China and Navy team at Caroline Hill, starting at 5.15 p.m. Neither team has yet been announced.

## Stolen Child Ill Used By Seaman's Wife

Reported missing from his home in Kowloon City in November last, a five-year-old boy named Nam Chik, was on March 25 discovered by the police at Ha Yung village.

As a sequel, Chou Kwai-yau, 33, a woman, was this morning charged before Mr. K. M. A. Barnett at the Kowloon Magistracy with harbouring the baby. His worship thought the boy "a cute little lad."

Det.-Inspector A. E. Carey said the boy was traced to the defendant's hut in the village. She first claimed the boy as her own but later said that her husband, a seaman, had brought him to her. The husband was the real culprit, but he was out of the Colony. The boy had several cane marks on his legs and body and had apparently received them when he was taught to tell people that his surname was similar to that of the defendant.

The defendant raised no defence, and was sentenced to nine months' hard labour.

## KILLED IN FALL DOWN STAIRWAY

A Chinese, aged about 65, was admitted to the Kwong Wah Hospital yesterday suffering from injuries to the head, believed to have been received when he fell down the staircase of a house in Reclamation Street. He died shortly after admission.

His identity is unknown.

### PICKPOCKET CAUGHT

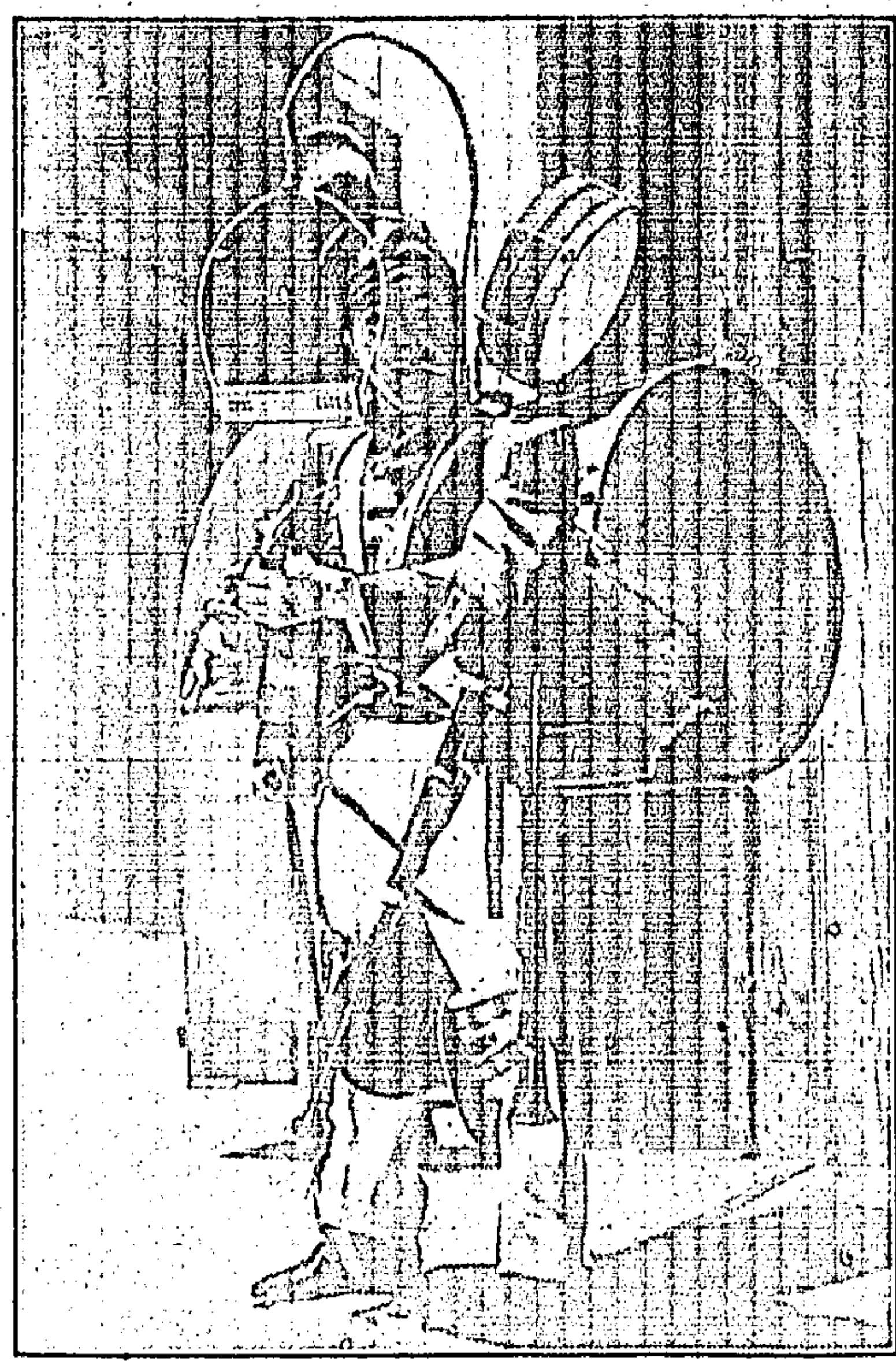
Three months' imprisonment was imposed on Chu Chu, 35, unemployed, by Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy this morning for larceny of \$50 from the person of Chung Sau-cheng, at Gutzlaff Street, yesterday. Defendant had a previous conviction.

### Jurich

Bouts in America. In a 10-round bout at Cleveland, Carmen Barth, 193, recently unsuccessful in a title bout with Freddie Steele for the world middleweight title gained a decision over Tommy Yarnes, 163½.

Nathan Mann, 101½, knocked out Louie Page, 182, of New York, in the second round at Newhaven.

Davey Day, 133½, of Chicago, bent Tommy Spiegel, of Union Town, Penn., on points over 10 rounds at Pittsburgh.—United Press.



Yes, sir, it's none other than Joe Penner all bedecked in a uniform with military epaulettes, a cap with a pom-pom, and musical instruments galore. He is pictured here as he appears in scenes of the RKO Radio picture, "The Life of the Party" which is coming to Hongkong shortly.

## CRUEL SNATCHER TO BE FLOGGED

A time expired banishment named Li Hoi, 29, was this morning sentenced to nine months' hard labour and 12 strokes of the cane by Mr. Q. A. Macfadyen at the Kowloon Magistracy for stealing a pair of gold earrings from a woman on March 20. Sergeant Kelly said that the complainant was with a friend in Shamshuipo when the defendant snatched the earrings, valued at \$40. He was arrested and the earrings were found in his mouth. There appeared to be more than usual violence in the snatching, as the woman's ears bled badly.

On a similar charge, Chan Cheuk-pui, was remanded for 48 hours by Mr. K. M. A. Barnett in the second Court, to see if he is fit for caning. Chan was said to have snatched a gold earring from a woman in Haik Po Street on March 20. He was taken into custody in Waterloo Road.

## STRANGE SPORT OF SHOP FOKI PROVES DANGEROUS

A shop-foki, Yim Chi-cheung, 22, appeared before Mr. H. R. Butters at the Central Magistracy this morning, charged with impersonating a police constable by searching one Lo Cheung, a Public Works Department road coolie, at Swatow Street near Queen's Road East yesterday.

Inspector A. V. Baker said that a detective noticed defendant searching a number of persons in the street, and he approached and asked the man what he was doing. Defendant held a torch in his hand, and informed the detective that a friend of his in Canton had told him that it would be alright for him to search people in Hongkong if he wanted to do so. There was nothing known against defendant, added the Inspector, and he may have been doing this as a sort of amusement.

Defendant claimed that he had a friend who was doing the same thing.

A fine of \$25 with the alternative of a month's hard labour was imposed.

## MANY INJURED IN TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

A number of traffic accidents were reported to the police yesterday. Wu Sai, 36, who was among a number of coolies carrying a large box in Connaught Road West, fell under the wheels of a lorry driven by Lam Chuen, when the rope tied around the box broke. He suffered a fracture of the leg.

Passing by a funeral procession in Pokfulam, a motor bus driven by Ho Lam knocked down one of the bearers, Ho Yiu, 32, who suffered injuries to his foot and face.

Ying Cheung, 34, was knocked down by a motor bus driven by Mong Cheung in Queen's Road East near Gresson Street, suffering head injuries. A little later, Chan Sik-suen, 22, a woman, was knocked down by another motor bus driven by Chan King near Lee Tung Street, and also suffered head injuries.

A motor van driven by Ko Tse-ping was involved in an accident in Hennessy Road near Fleming Road, when it knocked down Wan Ming, a 62-year-old man, who suffered injuries to the head.

A young woman, Tui Lai-chun, 26, residing at Waterloo Road, attempted to board a moving bus in Queen's Road, but stumbled and fell. She received serious injuries to both legs.

All are hospital cases.

## MANILA SHARES

The following business done quotations were received after the close of the morning session by Swan, Culbertson & Fritz from their Manila office:

	Business Done	Prices in Pesos
Antanok	49 Ex-div.	
Atok	24 Ex-div.	
Baguio Gold	30	
Benquet Consolidated	9.20	
Coco Grove	30	
Consolidated Mines	Unquoted	
Demonstration	30½	
I.X.L.	62	
Paracale Gunpowder	Unquoted	
San Maurice	41	
Suyoc	14	
United Paracale	Unquoted	

The tone of the market, slightly easier.



Ruby Keeler and Leo Dixon head the cast of the swing-lined hit, "Ready, Willing and Able," the Warner Bros. picture, with four hit tunes. The film opens at the King's Theatre to-day.

## Table Tennis Gossip

## Champions In World Demand

By A. A. Haydon

London, Feb. 24.

Globe trotting is usually attributed to lawn tennis players, but here is an instance that table tennis has also assumed world-wide proportions. Lazo Bellak (Hungary), now touring England with an exhibition troupe, leaves for the U.S.A. next month to defend his American title at Philadelphia on March 24-25.

He will be joined later by Victor Barna, and the two will then proceed to Australia, where they are to display their prowess. Table tennis "fans" "down under" had their first taste of our sport as it should be played by Fred Perry a few years back. He was followed last year by Kelen and Szabados, and now the craze is spreading throughout the country. (Kelen and Szabados were in Hongkong recently).

The Egyptians, too, are very keen and have invited Bergman to Cairo, where the World Champions are to be held next year, for five months in order to coach their players.

Visitors to the Sports Section of the B.I.F. have the opportunity of seeing four English internationals in action during the next fortnight, namely, Filby, Lurie, Proffitt and myself. Matches take place three times a day.

Some idea of the popularity of table tennis can be gauged by the increasing number of "open" events held regularly in all parts of the country. No fewer than four major tournaments concluded during the week-end, and that at Manchester drew 5,000 spectators.

Four English internationals were opposed by four foreign aces at Belle Vue and the outstanding English player was Ken Stanley, 16-year-old Manchester youth and junior champion of England. Although beaten by Bergman (Austria), Stanley played remarkably well and at present rate of progress his prospects for next season are exceedingly bright.

As I forecast, Vana (Czechoslovakia) became the ultimate winner, but he was taken the full five sets by Bergman.

At Wallasey, the Cheshire championship provided a triple success for Miss D. Newey (Birmingham) and Ken Hyde (Liverpool). In the final of the men's, Hyde was much too good for F. Cromwell (Manchester), and in partnership with Bamford won the men's doubles. I was glad to see Miss Doolan (Liverpool) give such a hard struggle to Miss Newey in the women's final, and she was unlucky to lose at deuce in the fifth.

The London open at the Indian Students' Union was run over, a fortnight this season owing to the record number of entries. Eric Filby won the men's singles title, Bubbly, last year's holder, not defending, but not before he was given the fright of his life by Leo Baron (London), who led by two sets to nil before Eric came back magnificently to take the last three and match. Baron, on the fringe of international honours earlier this season, put up his finest performance to date.

In Wales, too, the Cardiff open attracted a good entry, and locals were highly delighted by the unexpected win of H. Needles, Welsh international penholder player, over Bill Stennett, Civil Service champion.

## A Narrow Victory In Marathon

Parsons Beats Langley And MacDonald

After being among the first four throughout, C. P. O. Parsons, of H.M.S. Suffolk, finished strongly to win the annual Colony marathon yesterday from L. A. C. Langley by 11 seconds.

L. Cpl. MacDonald, Royal Scots, the runner very well leading Langley, Parsons and Manson at the Kowloon Football Ground on the way home. He was only a few yards behind Langley.

At the presentation of the prizes, Rev. J. R. Higgs remarked that the number of entries was the second largest in the history of St. Andrew's Club, which sponsored the event.

"The winner's time this year, 35 min. 43 sec., compares with 33 min. 53 sec. last year," he said.

The course was over 6½ miles, starting from St. Andrew's Church, and going along Nathan Road and Prince Edward Road, through Kowloon City and Hunghom, and back via Chatham Road to finish at the starting post.

Of the 35 entries received, 32 started, and 20 finished. The only civilian entry, D. S. Blake was last.

Results:

C. P. O. Parsons (35.43)	1
L. A. C. Langley (35.54)	2
L/Cpl. MacDonald (35.50)	3

Others finished in the following order—L/Cpl. Manson, L/Cpl. Ellis, Cpl. Keefe, Slater Brown, Ensign Ware, Signl. Frost, Pte. Weekes, Pte. Heather, L/Cpl. Bontia, Pte. Wilson, Pte. Onslow, Pte. Thundow, L/Cpl. Baker, Pte. Evans, Pte. Willison, Pte. Tarrant, Pte. Whitty, Pte. Adams, Signl. Truscott, Pte. Baker, L. S. Rowlands, L/Cpl. Gracie, D. S. Blake.

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THE other day I wanted to read some short stories by an old friend of mine. To my astonishment I found that the volumes were out of print.

I ransacked second-hand bookshops, searched library shelves, wrote to all sorts of people, but it was only with the utmost difficulty I was able to obtain copies, and these were finally dug out of some dusty boxes.

Yet before the Great War and after this friend of mine was a best seller. His books were printed over and over again. They were translated into a dozen languages. To-day the younger generation has hardly heard his name.

Why is it that Jack London has thus been forgotten?

Surely the time has come—in these days when so many acres of rubbish are being poured out—to bring Jack London back to his rightful place?

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PERHAPS some account of the man himself, of his incredible adventures rolling round the world, of his life as down-and-out, rancher, gold prospector, oyster pirate, seal hunter, of his rich experience in a hawking world, may turn younger men and women to demand that the works of this forgotten genius should once more be accessible to all.

I first met Jack London in an old Socialist Club in the Mile End-road thirty-five years ago.

It was in the days before unemployment insurance. If you were out of work you were dependent upon soup kitchens and charity.

If you had no home you had to tramp from casual ward to casual ward. If they were all full up you had to sleep out, and if the "copper" found you doing that then you were taken in charge for sleeping out, for wandering without visible means of subsistence!

It was a dog's life

A small group of us had been tramping the West End singing "The Starving Poor of Old England," collecting the wherewithal to eat. We had got back to the club to share out.

In the corner was a sturdy sailor-looking stranger in stoker's singlet and leather belt, a cloth cap perched jauntily on the side of his head, standing the chaps drinks and asking for a guide to take him round the East End.

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FOR several days afterwards I was in his company, showing him our houses, Salvation Army hostels, sweatshops.

But it was some time before I discovered that he was Jack London, who had descended into the East End to write a book on our social life.

The result was "The People of the Abyss" written in a mood of burning indignation.

We who lived among the squalor and filth of the old East End, and were inured to it, were a little puzzled at Jack London's vehemence, but at the time the rulers of what passed for our civic life were bitterly angry at what they called his "libels."

I went to see Jack London in a tiny furnished bedroom he rented for six shillings a week in a slum street and from which he went out to sleep in doss-houses and casual wards in his search for local colour.

Planned all over the walls were little scraps of paper, cut from periodicals containing reports of suicides, thefts, murders and starvation cases.

Jack London, in his book, describes the me of those days as "A slender lad of nineteen, so slight and frail, in fact, that like

# FORGOTTEN GENIUS

by Ernest E. Hunter



"There was no silver in his purse, only gold."

Fra Lippo Lippi, a puff of wind might double him up and turn him over."

If he were alive now he could not possibly recognise in this fat and fifty me of to-day the lad with whom he walked down the Mile End-road, but I still treasure the memory of our talks.

He told me of his early days on a Californian ranch as a little boy of eight, sitting under a tree from sunrise to dusk watching the bees and waiting for the swarming.

To him then California was an abomination. And it was when he escaped into the ugliness of the outside world that he learnt to love his native hills and valleys.

He sold newspapers on the streets, and then, with the adventure lust strong within him, ran away to join the oyster-pirates in the bay.

"If I got my dues for piracy, I would have been given five hundred years in prison," he once said.

And then, on the principle of "set a thief to catch a thief," he joined the Fish Patrol.

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SHIPPING before the mast, he went seal-hunting in the Behring Sea. He shovelled coal, worked in jute mills, tramped the United States from end to end, went to prison for vagrancy and addressing meetings.

All this time he was learning to write, but after many attempts decided he was a failure, and took the long trail to the Klondike gold-fields.

In the Klondike he found himself. "There nobody talks. Every-

body thinks you get your true perspective. I got mine."

Always Jack London remained the same restless adventurer, sailing the lone seas, plunging into the unknown, determined to see and experience everything.

For a real thrill I recommend "The Cruise of the Snark"—the story of how he and his wife Charmian attempted to sail round the world in a small boat only forty-five feet long.

For two years they sailed until,

with Charmian racked with fever and he himself suffering from an obscure tropical disease, the cruise had to be abandoned.

And all this meant that Jack London was steeping himself in the lives of real men and women. His characters are not puppets. They are the very stuff of life.

Whether he writes of hardy men in the frozen North, of brute beasts fighting for gold in the Klondike, of sailors lashed to the mast, with angry seas sweeping over them, or of the pitiful souls in the slums, he knows them all.

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HAMILTON FYFE, a former editor of the "Daily Herald," has told the truth about Jack London in these striking words:

"He opened windows for them (his readers) upon the splendour and the savagery, the pomp and the pitifulness that he had found in many corners of the earth."

"He saw that in every scene, in every human activity, there was an element which lifted it into the region of the beautiful, and he made all his readers see it, whether they were learned or ignorant, cultivated or only just able to read."

"Full justice has never been done to him. There was no silver in his purse, only gold."

His versatility was wonderful. "The Iron Heel" is one of the greatest Socialist tracts ever written.

"John Barleycorn"—the story of his own drinking experiences—is certainly the most vigorous temperance argument ever written. Stories like "White Fang" show an uncanny knowledge of the souls of animals.

"The Valley of the Moon" is a delightful fairy story. And these are only a few of many.

Yes, it is time Jack London came back to his own.

In fact, you will wonder, when you read those stories of his that we are going to print in the "Daily Herald" next week, how the world could ever have let this man become "forgotten."

## SERIAL Tovarich

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### CHAPTER VI

"You rang, madame?"

Tatiana entered the drawing room where the guests were congregated—Lord and Lady Cardigan, very British—Monsieur and Madame Van Hemert, very Dutch—Monsieur and Madame Chausfourier of the Bank of France—and a small nondescript person named Alfonso, who had come in the wake of the monied Lady Cardigan. The honour guest, Gorotchenko, had not yet arrived.

"Oh, yes, Tina, yes," Madame Dupont replied somewhat nervously. "There will be nine guests instead of eight."

As she finished she looked with amazement at Lord Cardigan, who was bowing ceremoniously—saying "Your Serene Highness!"

Tatiana curtsied but murmured under her breath "No, no, you mustn't please don't." Then she turned to Madame Dupont. "Yes, madame. I'll take care of it. . . . nine guests" and hurried from the room. The bewildered M. Dupont asked the Cardigans why they had shown such deference for Tina, the housemaid.

"Tina!" said Cardigan fiercely. "That is the Grand Duchess Tatiana Petrovna, ma'am!" "No, no!" insisted M. Dupont. "She was employed by the Grand Duchess, Lord Cardigan!"

"She is the Grand Duchess! I knew her well in Petersburg!"

Then Gorotchenko was announced. "My respects, madame!"

Commissar Gorotchenko was a finely-built man with a humorous saturnine expression—a civilized barbarian. Faint with what she had heard of his past, Madame Dupont could hardly find strength to answer. Her husband, too, was ill at ease. Gorotchenko was introduced to the guests. Lord and Lady Cardigan, he had known before.

"A most distinguished gathering, Lord Cardigan. . . . I am already ill at ease."

"You'll know how distinguished it really is, Commissar, when you see who else is here!"

"Then there are other guests! Thank heaven I am not the last!"

"There are others. . . . yes, but . . . not exactly guests. . . . they . . ."

At this moment Mikail entered with the cocktails and everyone froze into silence, awaiting the awful moment when Gorotchenko and Mikail should see each other.

A cocktail, Commissar! Mikail betrayed no emotion, and Gorotchenko's face betrayed but the ghost of a sardonic smile. "Thank you," he said. Everyone tried without success to change the subject. Gorotchenko was evidently trying to be casual.

"Ah, yes, I am an old Parisian. For three years I was a dish-washer in the Quai de Bourbon."

"A dish-washer. . . . how very interesting."

"Yes—literally! I washed dishes. That was before I studied for my philosophical degree."

"In addition to everything else, you're a doctor of philosophy!"

"Yes, from Cambridge University. That was a long time ago. I'm afraid I've forgotten most of it now."

"Yes . . ."

said Chausfourier, chuckling, "you've passed from pure theory to impure fact."

"You are right, Governor. When I returned to Russia, I was careful to leave my idealism behind. That was a bad time for the idealists, you know."

Mikail, having served the soup, stood at his post near Madame Dupont.

"A few of them escaped into Finland," Gorotchenko went on, his eyes narrowing, "where submerged in rivers of blood."

"Oh," Madame Dupont gasped "then you were the one who burned a certain man."

"Ah . . . a certain amount of torture and butchery was justified, madame. . . . In this case the certain man was a lamb chop, Commissar!" inquired Tatiana coolly.

"This certain man had in his hands a sum of money which could have saved thousands of lives. . . . It was the not inconsiderable sum of forty billion francs."

Gorotchenko, while Mikail and Tatiana served the meat, told the story of how at the expense of a man's life . . . he himself had freed a beautiful aristocrat . . . allowed her to escape . . . He paused to ask Tatiana for a glass of water and when she brought it, he handed her a bill with the remark that "good servants must be immediately rewarded, according to an old Russian custom."

Tatiana looked at him with withering scorn. "I hope, Commissar," she said softly, "that you spat on this money . . . because I spat in the water!"

Leaving the company gasping, Tatiana went to the servants' room where Mikail joined her. "Don't worry pigeon," she said, "the saints must know that we've been good servants. . . . They will find us another place . . ."

Gorotchenko came to the servant's quarters, too, and argued the needs of the Russian people so forcefully that Mikail signed over the forty billion francs. He was no sooner gone than the Duponts arrived to tell them they must leave. They said they would. Madame suddenly decided, however, that they must not think of going till she had other help. They said they'd love to stay!

"See, my pigeon," cried Tatiana, looking from the kitchen window, "it is knowing . . . how beautiful it is!"

"How beautiful . . ." said Mikail, "and how sad . . ."

"We are fools, aren't we Mikail?"

"Yes, my darling! Fools! Now and forever!"

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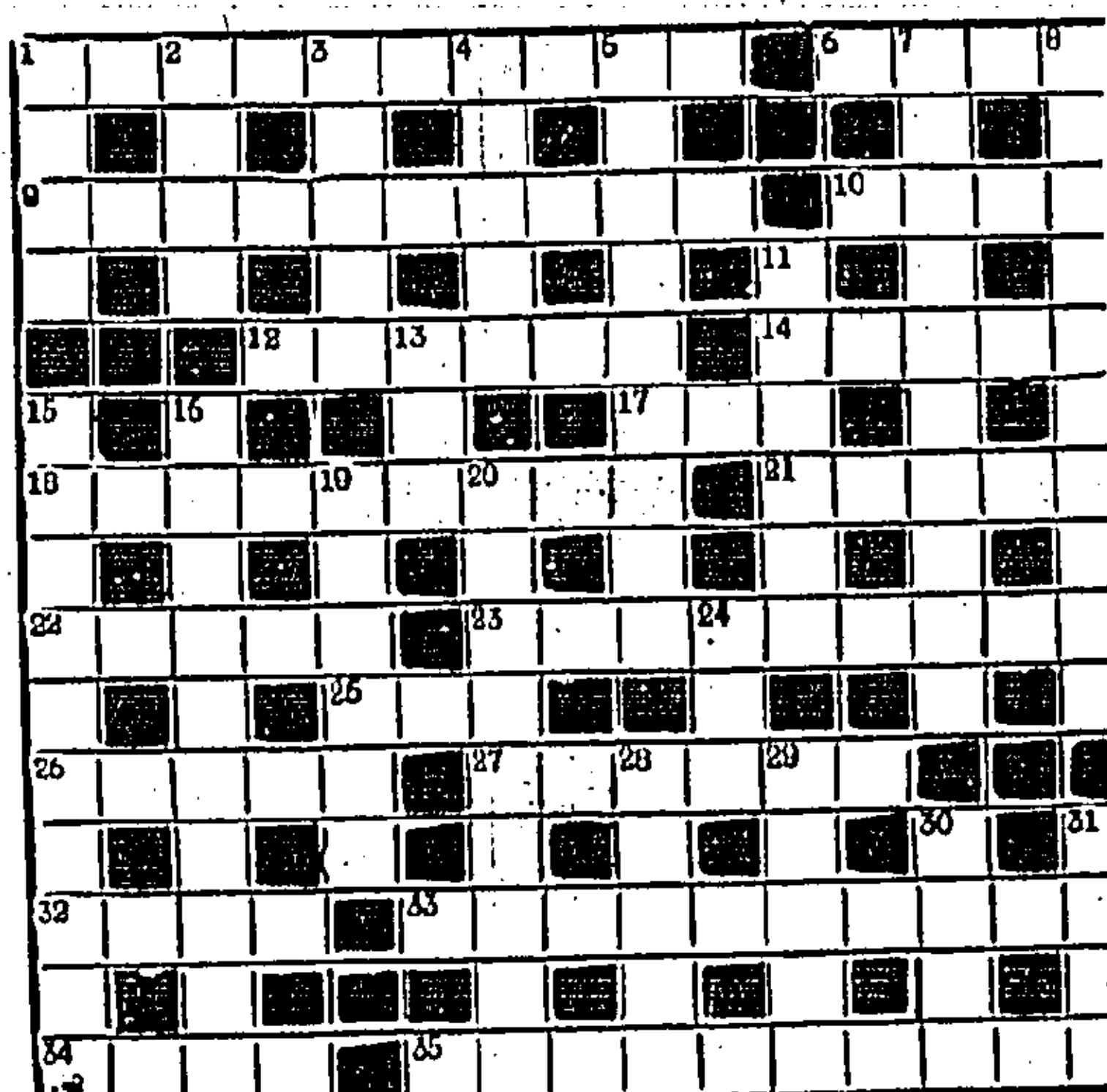
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- 9 The way of the upright? (10).
- 10 Fabulous monster (4).
- 12 Natural ardour (6).
- 14 A fight but only one round (5).
- 17 Vessel upset in 16 down (3).
- 18 Many a man cannot see this when it is under his nose (6).
- 21 Kind of 13 down (5).
- 22 I do this for a heathen (5).
- 23 Examples of this artist's work arrest our attention (9).
- 25 Tree (3).
- 26 Monday's dish (8).
- 27 Crimean commander (6).
- 32 A town of weight (4).
- 33 "Pete barrel" (anag.) (10).
- 34 Red Indian (4).
- 35 This describes the leading jockey when he takes a toss (10).

### DOWN

- 1 A change of position (4).
- 2 Presumably this W. country river is a rapid one (4).
- 3 Commonplace (5).
- 4 Feature (5).
- 5 This material is valued more with a piece cut off its end (9).
- 7 He is no friend to England (10).
- 8 No this politician is not in business for nothing, he is just opposed to many customs (10).
- 11 Where the joiner may put his tongue (8).
- 13 Oriental plant (3).
- 15 Typical (10).
- 16 This is the work of either the tailor or the florist (10).
- 19 Anguish (6).
- 20 This insect has the head of a bird and the tail of a fish, yet is not fabulous (9).
- 24 Musical note (3).
- 26 Dance (5).
- 29 Genus of palms (Have a care!) (5).
- 30 River of Russia (4).
- 31 Bird that was useful in the war (4).

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## Monarchists Surrender Indicated

Urging Followers To Vote For Hitler

Vienna, Mar. 29. Following the example of the Rev. Theodor Innitzer, many prominent monarchists have indicated that they will urge their followers to support the Hitler plebiscite. It is reported that Gustav Martinides, a staunch monarchist, has appealed to the followers of the so-called Kaiser-Loyal Folk Movement, to vote "Yes" in the plebiscite.

The newspaper, Wiener Neueste Nachrichten, said that Herr Martinides claimed that the Archduke Otto recognised the Republic on December 11, 1937, thereby tacitly waiving an oath of allegiance taken previously.

Nazi Catholic quarters forecast an early reconciliation between the Vatican and Germany as a result of the Rev. Innitzer's blessing on the Anschluss.—United Press.

## SUDETEN GERMANS WARNED

Czecho-Slovakia Deplores Anti-State Propaganda

Prague, Mar. 29. Dr. Milan Hodza, Premier of Czecho-Slovakia, warned the German minorities to-day, including the Sudeten Germans, to cease their anti-State propaganda. He assured them that the Government would protect German minority rights.

He paid a tribute to Mr. Neville Chamberlain's policy, and expressed faith in Germany that she had no intentions of interfering in Czecho-Slovakia internally.

He said the country was not endangered, and was "stronger than ever."—United Press.

## Hodza Criticised

Berlin, Mar. 29. Government circles are plainly dissatisfied with the tenor of the contents of Dr. Milan Hodza's pronouncement yesterday. Dr. Hodza is blamed for not making clear whether he merely intends to ratify existing conditions or make an entirely new attempt to solve the minority problem.

The Diplomatische Korrespondenz writes that Dr. Hodza's exposition, as well as its practical consequences, are most unsatisfactory. As a responsible statesman he should recognise the signs of the times and to try and find a new way out of the difficulty.—Reuter Special.

## PRISON FOR PROMINENT LONDONERS

Sensational Trial At Old Bailey

London, Mar. 29. X-Ray and calligraphists' evidence played a big part in the trial at Old Bailey resulting in the conviction of two men, well-known to newspaper readers, William Cooper Hobbs (74) and Edmond O'Connor (53), a solicitor, who were found guilty of forging and altering the will of the late Willie Clarkson, famous theatrical wigmaker.

Hobbs was sentenced to five years' penal servitude, and O'Connor to seven. Both pleaded not guilty. O'Connor allegedly witnessed the will in which Hobbs was made residuary legatee.

Defending counsel said the disputed will was not worth a penny to anybody.

Prosecuting counsel, however, said that at the time of Clarkson's death he had a claim pending in respect to a fire on his premises for £33,000.

Hobbs was sentenced to two years in 1925 for being connected with a notorious case in which a wealthy man was induced to part with a large sum when found in a compromising position by a man who posed as an outraged husband.

The Judge told O'Connor that he was unable to accede to his request to take consideration of his pleas of guilty to fraudulent conversion of £11,000 of clients' money.—Reuter Special.

## EMPLOYEES BLAMED FOR SABOTAGE AT STOCKPORT

London, Mar. 29. All Ministry officials have decided that the sabotage to the Falroy Company's plant at Stockport was done by disaffected employees, and not foreign agents.

Scotland Yard has now posted an anti-sabotage squad at the works.—United Press.

## HONGKONG GERMANS, AUSTRIANS MAY VOTE

Plan To Participate In Plebiscite On German Steamer

The German Consulate-General in Hongkong is making preparations for the German and Austrian residents of this Colony to participate in the plebiscite of April 10 when Herr Adolf Hitler will call for an expression of loyalty to the Reich from all his subjects.

Although it is by no means certain that the arrangements in hand can be carried to the desired conclusion, the present plan is that Germans and Austrians here will go on board the German steamer Frigerun on the day of the plebiscite and proceed to a point at sea outside British or Chinese waters, where they will cast their ballots.

Such a vote would be communicated to Berlin and would be counted in the official returns of the plebiscite.

## SHANGHAI ARRANGEMENTS

Shanghai, Mar. 30. Thirteen hundred German and Austrian residents in Shanghai have been invited to participate in an unofficial plebiscite in Shanghai on April 10 on Hitler's policy in Austria.

The plebiscite, which is organised by the Nazi Party Overseas leaders, is stated to be in order to "show how Germans throughout the world cling to the Fatherland". The idea is also to "give Berlin a chance to gauge the sentiment of Germans beyond the Reich".

Austrian and German Jews in Shanghai have been refused permission to vote.—Reuter.

## SHIPS IN WIRELESS COMMUNICATION

The following ships are expected to be in wireless communication with the Radio Telegraph Office—Asian, Prosper, Bengloe, Ermland, Turul, Kwangtung, Yaoshing, Tsinan, Empress of Japan, Minoo Maru, Asama Maru, President McKinley, President Cleveland, Scharnhorst, Bangkok Maru, Nalderm and Pingwo.

## Only Part Of Compensation Claim Paid

British Ambassador To Tokyo Acting

London, Mar. 29. In the House of Commons to-day, Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary in the Foreign Office, gave a written reply to Mr. A. R. L. Chorton (Cons.) when he stated that the claim in respect to the killing and wounding of two of the crew of H.M.S. Ladybird had already been paid by the Japanese Government, and the claim for material damage was shortly due to be presented.

Mr. Butler also stated that instructions had been sent to the British Ambassador to Tokyo, Sir Robert Craigie, for a claim to be presented for compensation in respect of damage to the steamers Tuckwo and Tatung, and a British hulk on the Yangtze, on December 5, but no payment had hitherto been received.—Reuter.

## CHUNGKING HONOURS MARTYRS

10,000 In Mass Meeting

Chungking, Mar. 30. An impressive and enthusiastic mass meeting was held here yesterday to commemorate the death of the 72 martyrs of the abortive rebellion of 1911, and also to honour Wang King-chang, the Szechuen General who was recently killed in action on the Tientsin-Pukow railway front.

A crowd of more than 10,000 people, representing Chungking organisations, and including several troops, listened with rapt attention to addresses by General Ku Ching-tai, commander of the Chungking garrison, General Ho Kuo-kun, the vice-commander, Duke Kung Teh-cheng, the local descendant of Confucius, and other local leaders.

Before the meeting broke up, there was an enthusiastic outburst of cheers and the waving of thousands of banners and flags.—Reuter Special.

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